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# BATMAN

Featuring  
**"BATMAN-  
INDIAN  
CHIEF!"**



MAN-OF-  
THE BATS  
AND LITTLE  
RAVEN--  
SLAY  
THEM!



# BULLY

says:

## "WORK CAN BE FUN!"

I HEAR BUZZY AND SUSIE ARE DOING SOME PART-TIME WORK THESE DAYS-- AND FOR NOTHING, TOO, THE SAPS.

BUT THEY'RE SURE HAVING FUN... I WENT OVER TO SEE THEM THE OTHER DAY...

"FIRST THING I SAW WAS SUSIE PLAYING WITH THE LITTLE KIDS AT THE SWINGS... AND HAVING A GOOD TIME DOING IT..."



"THEN I WATCHED BUZZY TEACHING KIDS TO SWIM. WHILE I WAS THERE, ONE LITTLE KID SWAM HIS FIRST FEW STROKES ALONE. BOY, WAS BUZZY PROUD!"



THAT'S IT, FELLA. YOU'RE GETTING IT!

"AFTER A WHILE, SUSIE STARTED HER CLASS IN TENNIS. SHE SAYS MOST OF THE KIDS THAT COME TO THE DAY CAMP LOVE TO LEARN NEW SPORTS AND GAMES."



"LATER ON, A CLUB OF BOYS GOT TOGETHER FOR A MEETING. BUZZY'S THEIR 'ADVISER'. YOU COULD SEE THEY FELT HE WAS ALMOST LIKE A BIG BROTHER."



BUT WHAT'S IN IT FOR THEM? THEY WORK FOR NOTHING!

I SEE WHAT'S IN IT FOR THEM. THEY HAVE A SWELL TIME AND LEARN THINGS THAT MIGHT COME IN HANDY LATER WHEN THEY START LOOKING FOR JOBS. I THINK I'LL LOOK FOR SOME VOLUNTEER WORK MYSELF!



NO FOOLING, IT'S FUN TO SPEND PART OF YOUR TIME IN SUMMER DOING VOLUNTEER WORK, UNDER ADULT SUPERVISION. YOU GIVE A LOT AND GET A LOT, WHETHER IT'S IN A DAY CAMP, OR IN A HOSPITAL, OR THE DOZENS OF OTHER PLACES IN YOUR HOME-TOWN THAT NEED VOLUNTEERS.

BUZZY'S RIGHT. YOU'LL FIND IT ONE OF THE BEST EXPERIENCES OF YOUR LIFE!



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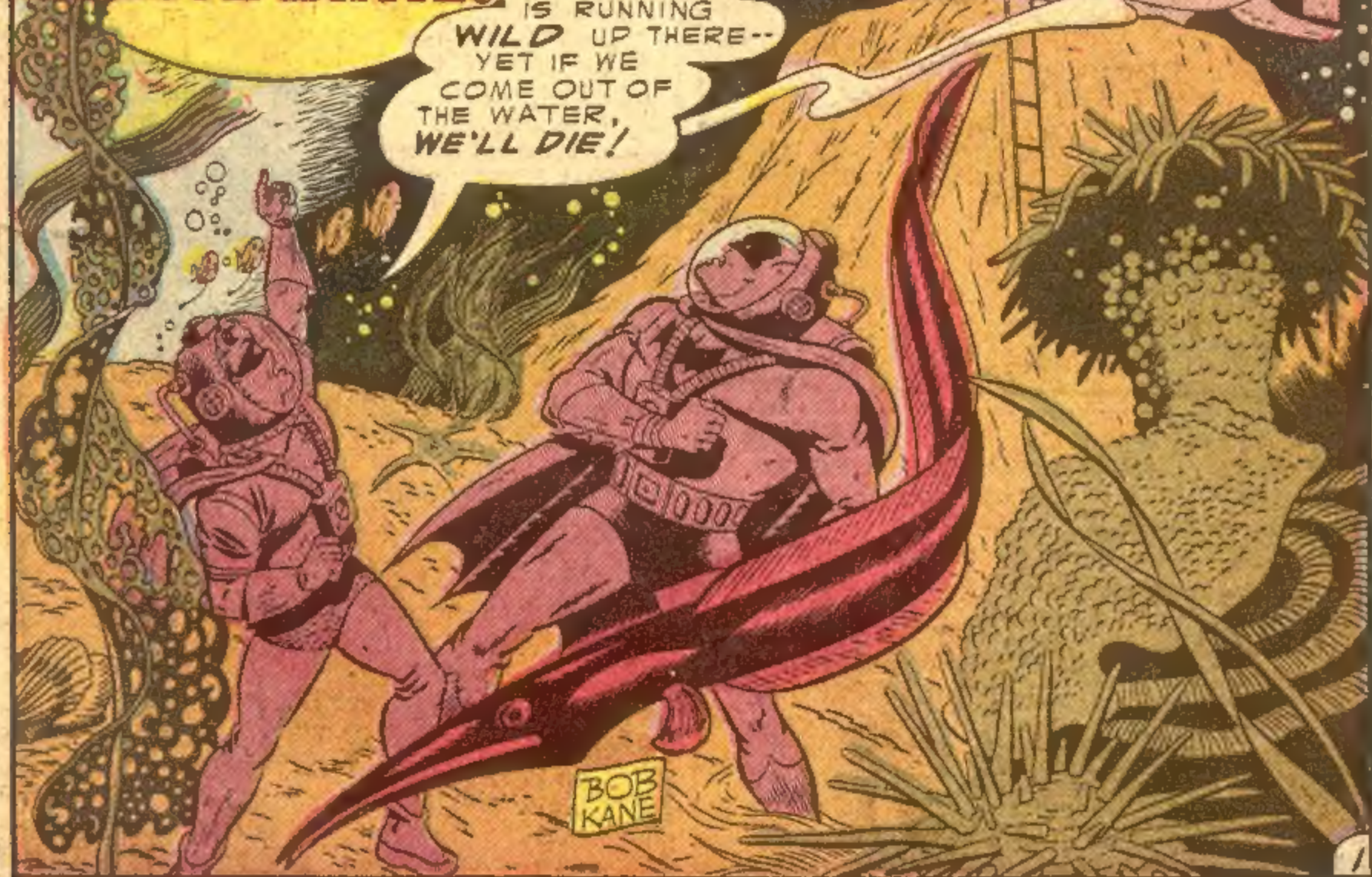
# BATMAN

With  
**ROBIN**  
THE BOY WONDER

**R**IGHT NEXT TO GOTHAM CITY LIES A WORLD THAT IS AS ALIEN AND PERILOUS AS A FAR-OFF PLANET! IT'S THE WORLD UNDER THE SEA, HAUNTED BY WEIRD AND MENACING CREATURES, A WORLD MOST HUMANS NEVER SEE! BUT WHEN A STRANGE FATE DOOMS **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** TO EXILE IN THAT SUBMARINE WORLD, IT'S NOT THE DANGERS OF THE DEEP, BUT CRIMINALS ON DRY LAND WHO THREATEN TO DOOM...

## *"The* **VOYAGE of the FIRST BATMARINE!***"*

CRIME  
IS RUNNING  
WILD UP THERE--  
YET IF WE  
COME OUT OF  
THE WATER,  
WE'LL DIE!



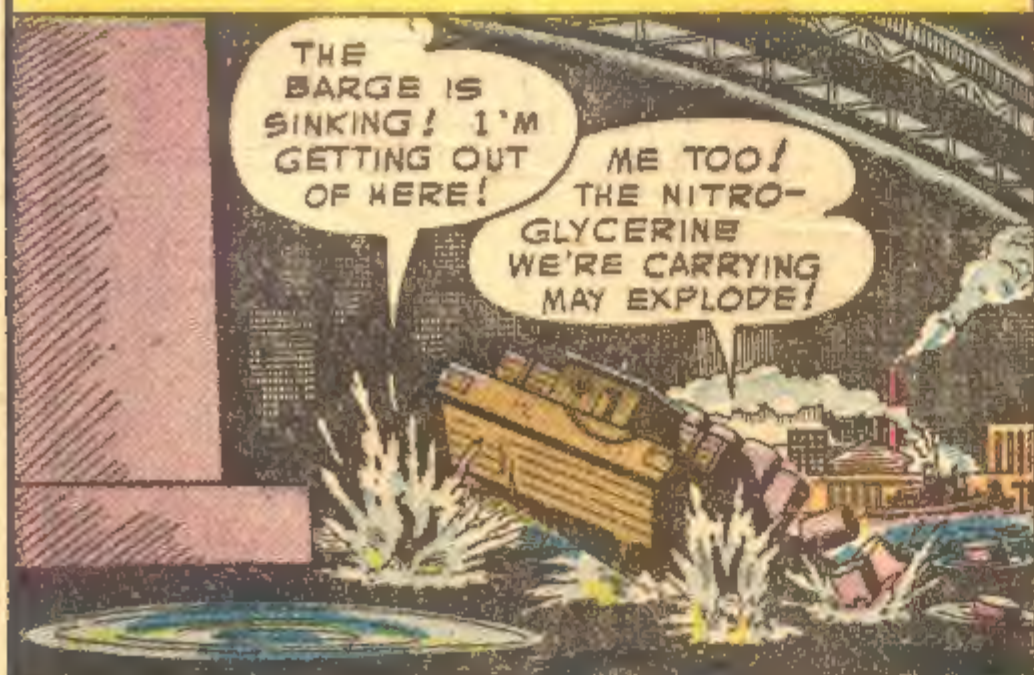
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ON GOTHAM CITY RIVER, AN OVER-LOADED BARGE CARRYING HIGH EXPLOSIVES, THREATENS A FREAK DISASTER...



THE BARGE IS SINKING! I'M GETTING OUT OF HERE!

ME TOO! THE NITRO-GLYCERINE WE'RE CARRYING MAY EXPLODE!

AND WHEN PERIL LOOMS, A FAMOUS SYMBOL SWEEPS THE SKY TO SUMMON BATMAN AND ROBIN -- SECRETLY BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS WARD, DICK GRAYSON...

THE **BAT-SIGNAL**, IT COULD BE ANOTHER OF THOSE PLATINUM ROBBERY-ATTEMPTS!

UNTIL WE CATCH "SLANT" STACEY AND HIS PLATINUM BANDITS, WE'LL GET NO REST! LET'S GET INTO COSTUME-- FAST!



BUT IT IS A GREATER EMERGENCY WHICH HAS SUMMONED THE CAPED MAN-HUNTERS TO COMMISSIONER GORDON'S OFFICE...

IF THE CANS OF NITRO ON THAT SUNKEN BARGE DRIFT AND EXPLODE, THEY'LL DESTROY HALF THE WATERFRONT! BUT NO DIVER WILL RISK GOING DOWN TO RETRIEVE THEM!

**ROBIN** AND I HAVE PRACTICED DEEP-SEA DIVING! GET US A PAIR OF DIVING SUITS, AND WE'LL GO DOWN!



SOON, ON A BARGE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE RIVER...

TIE THE NITRO CANS ONTO THE ROPE SLINGS WE LET DOWN, AND WE'LL DRAW THEM UP CAREFULLY! BUT REMEMBER--DON'T STAY DOWN TOO LONG IN THAT PRESSURE!

THE PHONE WORKS FINE--I HEAR YOU! LOWER AWAY!



NO-- WE MUST GET THESE LAST CANS, OR THEY DRIFT AWAY AND DESTROY DOCKS AND BRIDGES!

BUT YOU'VE STAYED SO LONG DOWN THERE, YOU CAN'T COME UP NOW-- OR YOU'LL DIE FROM THE "BENDS!"

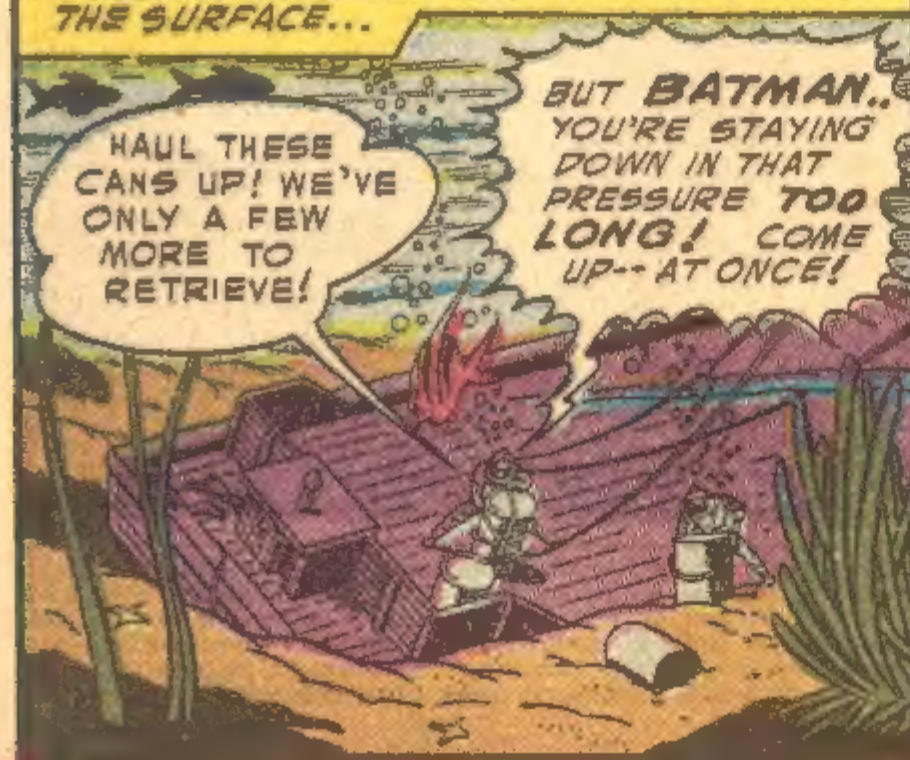


THE "BENDS"-- TERRIBLE PHYSICAL COLLAPSE THAT STRIKES DIVERS WHO RISE TO THE SURFACE TOO RAPIDLY! DOES THIS DOOM THE DYNAMIC DUO?

FOR NEARLY AN HOUR, **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** LABOR AWAY FAR BENEATH THE SURFACE...

HAUL THESE CANS UP! WE'VE ONLY A FEW MORE TO RETRIEVE!

BUT **BATMAN**.. YOU'RE STAYING DOWN IN THAT PRESSURE TOO LONG! COME UP-- AT ONCE!





YOU MUST STAY UNDERSEA FOR TWO DAYS NOW, AND REDUCE THE PRESSURE GRADUALLY BEFORE YOU COME UP!

IN THAT CASE, YOU'LL HAVE TO GET US SOME SORT OF SUBMARINE, EQUIPPED WITH PRESSURE CONTROLS!

A NEARBY SALVAGE COMPANY IS GLAD TO HELP OUT BATMAN...

SURE... **BATMAN** CAN BORROW THIS SURPLUS NAVY POCKET-SUB THAT WE USE FOR SALVAGE! I'LL FIX IT UP SPECIAL!

THANK YOU!

AND IT'S THE STRANGEST SUBMARINE IN HISTORY THAT SOON IS LOWERED TO **BATMAN AND ROBIN...**

WE CAN ENTER IT THROUGH THE SMALL AIR-LOCK ESCAPE HATCH!

THEY PAINTED THE **BAT-EMBLEM** ON IT! IT'S A REGULAR **BATMARINE** NOW!

SHORTLY, INSIDE...

WE'LL REDUCE THE AIR PRESSURE IN HERE SLOWLY, SO THAT IN A FEW DAYS, WE CAN EMERGE AGAIN!

WHAT'S BOTHERING ME, THOUGH, IS HOW'LL WE FIGHT CRIME FROM UNDERWATER? "SLANT" STACY'S PLATINUM BANDITS WILL BE ABLE TO RUN WILD NOW!

EXACTLY WHAT "SLANT" STACY, MASTERMIND OF A BANK SYNDICATE, THINKS TOO...

NOW WE CAN STRIKE AT ALL THE PLATINUM HOARDSES WE DIDN'T DARE TRY BEFORE! THE **ART JEWELRY COMPANY'S** SHIPMENT IS FIRST ON OUR LIST! BUT **BATMAN'S** CLEVER, BOSS! HE MAY STILL TRY TO STOP US!

DON'T WORRY... IF **BATMAN** INTERFERES WITH US NOW, I CAN STOP HIM FOR GOOD! DON'T FORGET, I'VE GOT A SETUP THAT NO CROOK EVER HAD BEFORE!



MEANWHILE, UNAWARE OF A FATEFUL DANGER, BATMAN HAS GONE INTO UNDERWATER ACTION...

WE FIGURED STACY'S MOB WOULD TRY FOR THE **ART JEWELRY COMPANY'S** PLATINUM SHIPMENT WHEN IT ARRIVED... AND IT'S DUE TONIGHT! WE'RE GOING TO BE THERE! A LITTLE TO PORT, **ROBIN!**

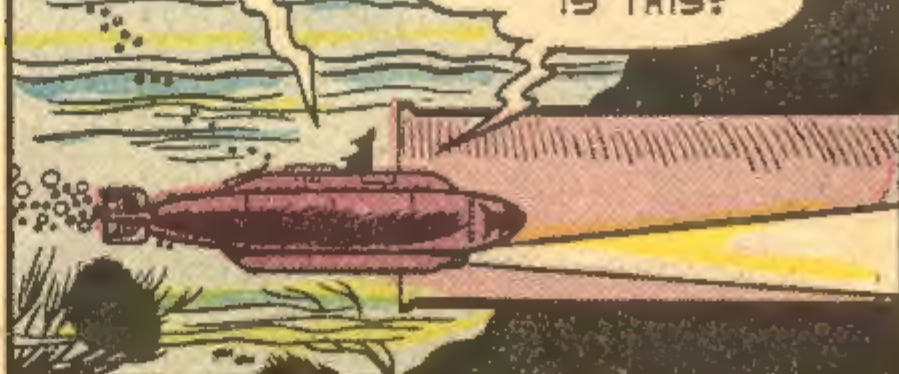
AYE--AYE, SIR!



AND AS THE GRIM UNDERSEA CRAFT MOVES INTO A PLACE THAT ONLY A POCKET SUB COULD ENTER...

THIS BIG DRAIN-TUNNEL CONNECTS WITH THE PARK LAKE, TO KEEP IT FROM OVERFLOWING!

BUT WE DON'T DARE COME OUT OF THE **BATMARINE** WHEN WE GET THERE, **BATMAN**-- SO WHAT GOOD IS THIS?



A GOOD QUESTION, **ROBIN**--FOR AS NIGHT FALLS, AND THE PLATINUM BANDITS STRIKE...

HA, HA... I WISH I COULD SEE **BATMAN'S** FACE WHEN HE HEARS ABOUT THIS!

WAIT, BOSS--THERE'S SOMETHING OUT THERE IN THE LAKE!



IT--IT'S A POCKET SUB, WITH A **BAT-EMBLEM** ON IT!

SO WHAT? EVEN **BATMAN** CAN'T TOUCH US FROM THERE! COME ON!



BUT **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** HAVE RESOURCES THAT STACY HASN'T THOUGHT OF...

TORPEDO TUBE LOADED, SKIPPER-- WITH THAT SALVAGE NET FROM THE LOCKER, AS YOU ORDERED!

WE'RE ON TARGET-- STAND BY TO FIRE!

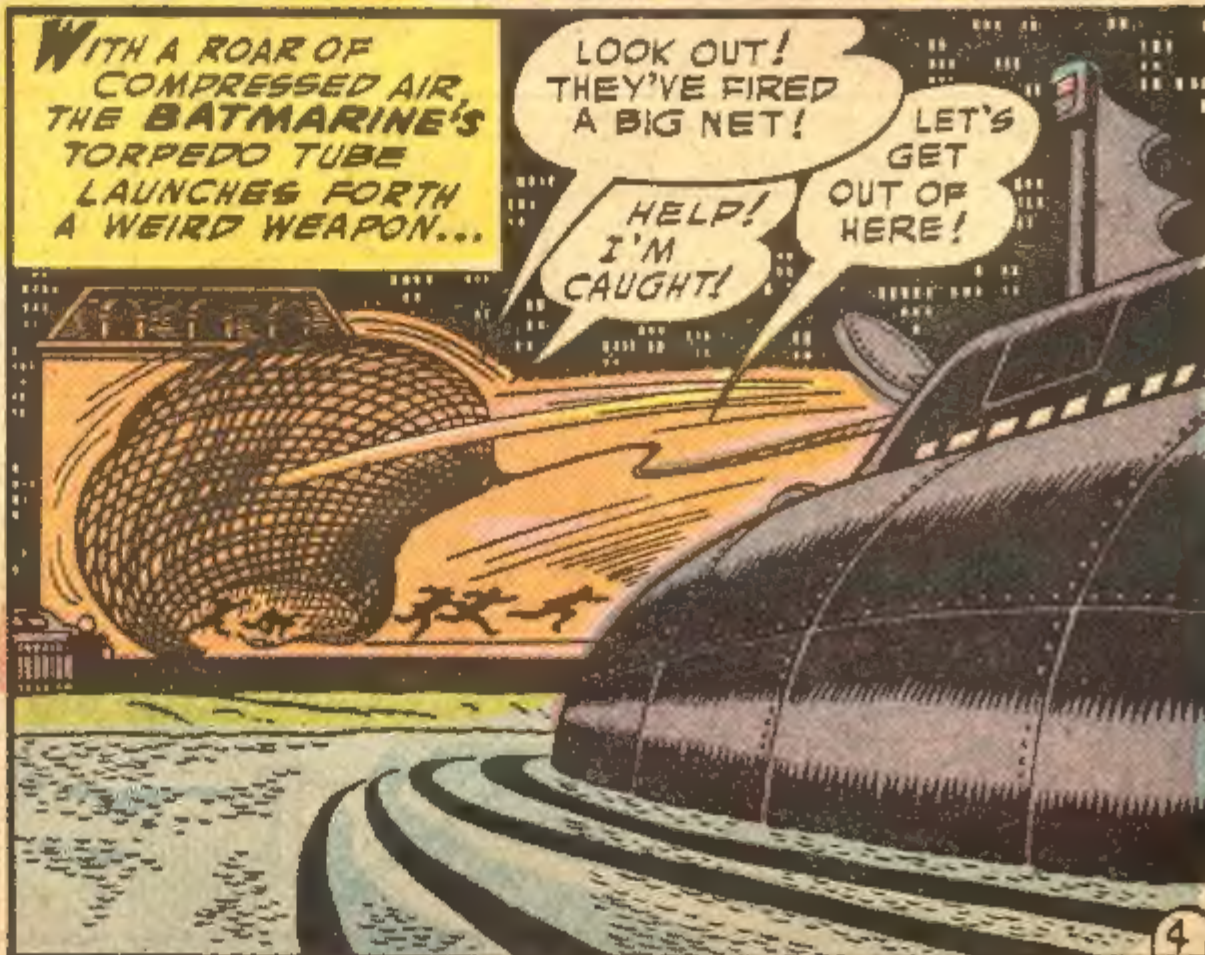


WITH A ROAR OF COMPRESSED AIR, THE **BATMARINE'S** TORPEDO TUBE LAUNCHES FORTH A WEIRD WEAPON...

LOOK OUT! THEY'VE FIRED A BIG NET!

HELP! I'M CAUGHT!

LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!





AFTERWARDS, ON ANOTHER STREET...

BATMAN BROKE UP THAT JOB--BUT HE WON'T BREAK UP ANY MORE! WE'RE GOING TO GET HIM AND HIS BATMARINE NOW!

IF YOU SUCCEED, GOOD! BUT IF YOU DON'T, MY BIG PLAN CAN'T FAIL AGAINST BATMAN!

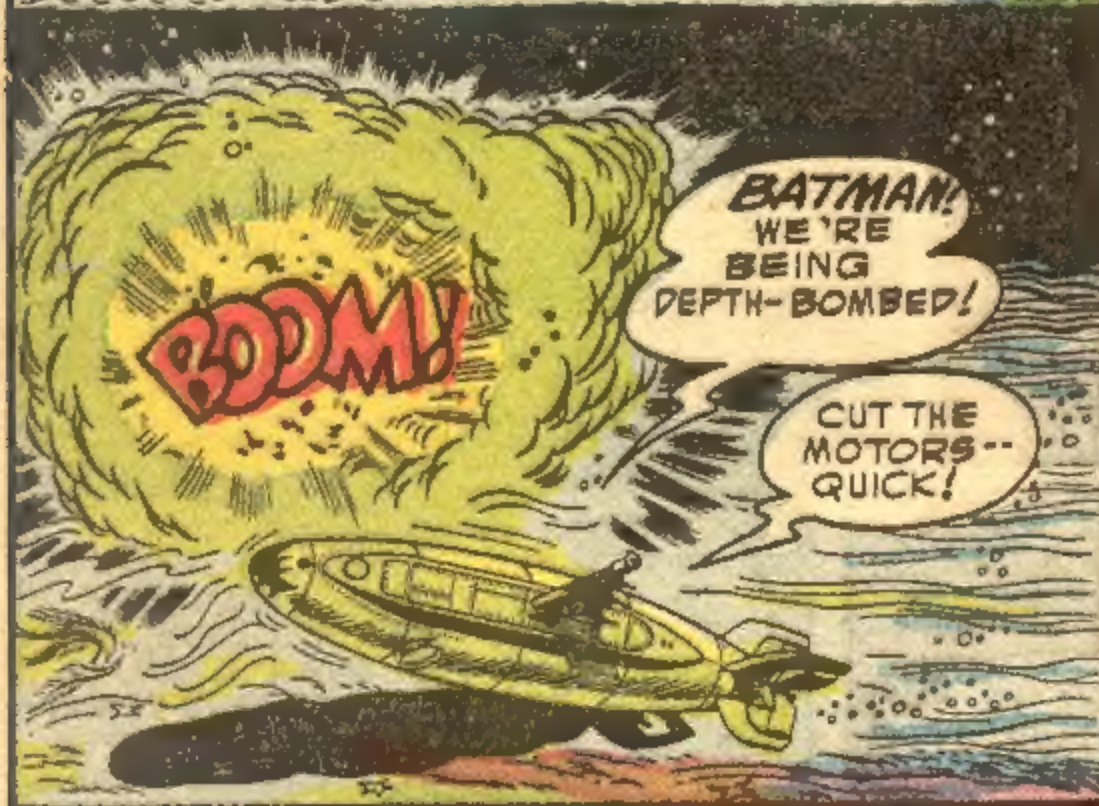
AND SOON, HOODPLUMS WITH STOLEN EQUIPMENT RE-ENACT A WAR-TIME SCENE...

I CAN HEAR HIS BATMARINE NOW... DROP THE NITRO!

HA, HA--THE VERY NITRO THAT GOT BATMAN INTO THIS FIX WILL BLOW HIM OUT OF THE WATER! DEPTH-BOMBS AWAY!



ABRUPTLY, FUSED NITRO-CANS EXPLODE UNDER WATER WITH SHATTERING VIOLENCE...



BATMAN! WE'RE BEING DEPTH-BOMBED!

CUT THE MOTORS--QUICK!

BOOM!

ANOTHER ONE!

THEY'RE TRACING US BY LISTENING TO OUR MOTORS! WITH THE MOTORS DEAD, WE'LL DRIFT DOWNRIVER WITHOUT THEIR HEARING US!

BUT THERE'S NO WATER NEAR THE MUSEUM--EXCEPT WHAT'S IN THE TANKS OF ITS AQUARIUM EXHIBITS!

AS BRUCE WAYNE, I'M A TRUSTEE OF THAT MUSEUM--AND I REMEMBER SOMETHING ABOUT IT THAT MAY HELP! BUT FIRST, I WANT TO MAKE SOME PREPARATIONS!

TENSE MOMENTS PASS--TILL FINALLY, THE ROCKING EXPLOSIONS CEASE...

THEY'VE DRIVEN US OUT TO SEA! AND WE FIGURED THEY'D TRY FOR THE NEW PLATINUM APPARATUS THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM IS EXHIBITING TOMORROW!

WE'VE GOT TO COVER THAT EXHIBITION, IN CASE THEY DO STRIKE HERE!





**PRESENTLY...**

WHAT'S THAT YOU'RE CONSTRUCTING?... LOOKS LIKE A VERY HEAVY-DUTY PRESSURE SUIT! BUT WITH THE GADGETS YOU'RE PUTTING INSIDE IT, YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY WEAR IT!

I'LL EXPLAIN LATER! RIGHT NOW, WE'D BETTER PUT ON OUR DIVING SUITS AND START FOR THE MUSEUM!



**IN THE MEANTIME...**

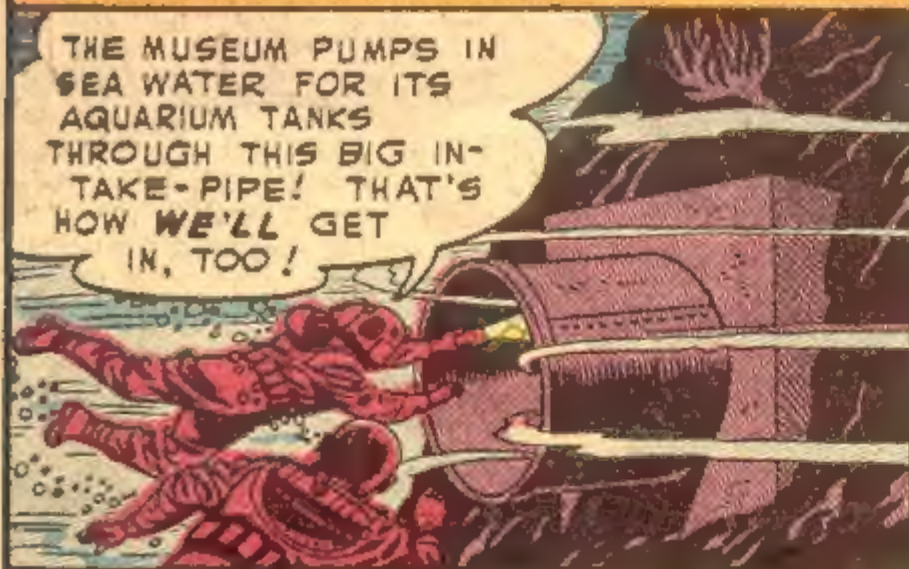
I'M NOT SURE WE DESTROYED THE **BATMARINE** WITH OUR DEPTH-BOMBS -- BUT ANYWAY, HE'S GOT NO WAY TO REACH THE MUSEUM!

DON'T WORRY... WHAT I HAVE IN MIND WILL RID US OF **BATMAN** FOREVER, IF HE KEEPS INTERFERING!



**CAN THE DYNAMIC DUO REACH THE MUSEUM WITHOUT COMING OUT OF WATER? BATMAN HAS A WAY...**

THE MUSEUM PUMPS IN SEA WATER FOR ITS AQUARIUM TANKS THROUGH THIS BIG INTAKE-PIPE! THAT'S HOW WE'LL GET IN, TOO!



**AND IN THE DARK PIPE, TWO STRANGE SHAPES SWIM FORWARD WITH THE RACING CURRENT...**

CAN YOU HEAR ME, **ROBIN**? WE MUST SWIM UP INTO THE BRANCH INTAKE-PIPE, OR WE'LL BE SUCKED ON INTO THE PUMPS!

YES, I HEAR YOU FINE ON OUR BELT-RADIO! I'LL BE RIGHT BEHIND YOU!



**SQUEEZING UP THROUGH GREAT PIPES, THE DUO REACHES THE MARBLE AQUARIUM HALL IN THE BASEMENT OF THE GREAT MUSEUM...**

THE PLATINUM APPARATUS IS IN THE NEXT EXHIBIT HALL! IF THEY TRY FOR IT, THEY'LL HAVE TO COME THROUGH HERE!

WOW! IN THIS TANK, I FEEL LIKE A FISH ON EXHIBIT MYSELF!



**BRRR...** AN OCTOPUS IS A FINE ROOMMATE! GET AWAY FROM ME!

DON'T FRIGHTEN IT, **ROBIN**! YOU KNOW HOW EVEN A SMALL OCTOPUS DEFENDS ITSELF! AND... CROUCH DOWN... SOMEONE'S COMING!





WHILE AT THE OTHER END OF THE LONG HALL...



I THOUGHT I SAW SOMEONE IN THAT BIG TANK OVER THERE!

YOU'RE NERVOUS ABOUT WATER NOW... BUT WE'LL LOOK OVER THE TANKS ANYHOW, TO MAKE SURE **BATMAN** ISN'T HERE!

KNOWING THAT DISCOVERY IS IMMINENT, **BATMAN** ACTS SWIFTLY...



AN OCTOPUS, WHEN ATTACKED, CLOUDS THE WATER BY EMITTING **INK--** AND WE NEED COVER RIGHT NOW! THIS WILL ONLY SCARE HIM!

THUS, BY THE TIME THE CROOKS REACH THE TANK...

THAT'S ALL YOU SAW-- AN OCTOPUS! AND IT'S MORE SCARED THAN YOU ARE, THE WAY IT COVERED UP! COME ON-- LET'S GET THAT PLATINUM!



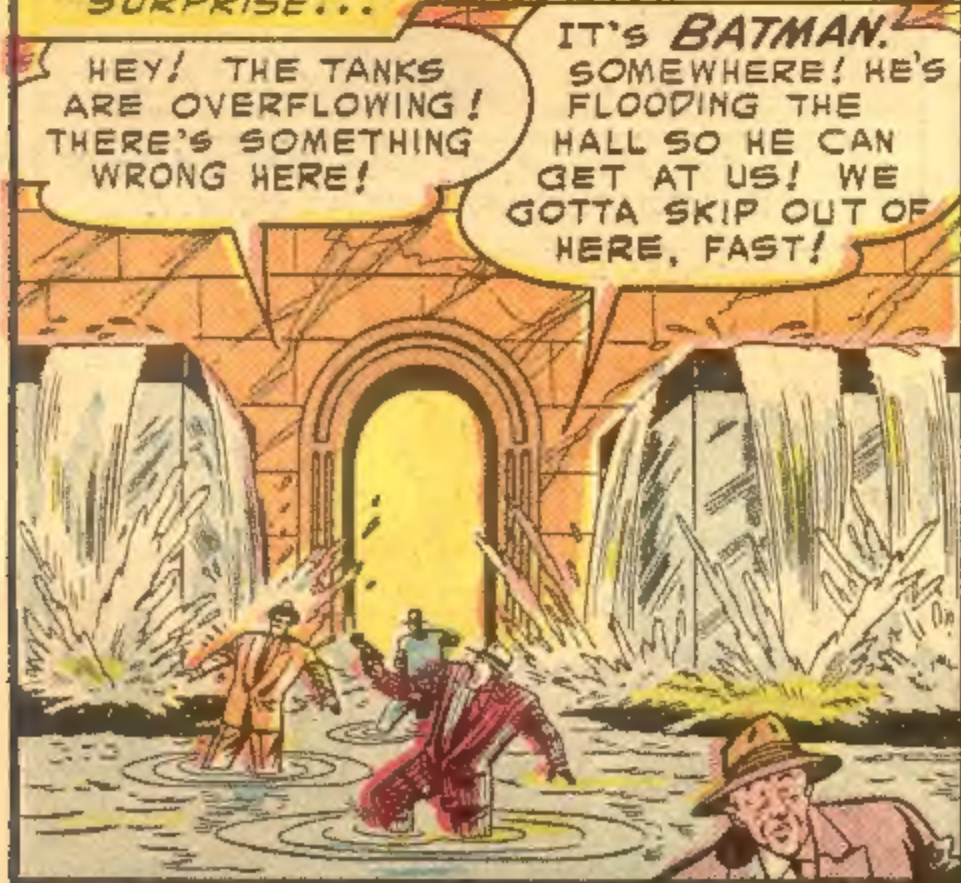
GOT TO ACT FAST, **ROBIN**, AND THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY... I'M GOING BACK TO OPEN THE MAIN VALVES WIDE!



AND MINUTES LATER, FURTIVE CRIMESTERS GET A STARTLING SURPRISE...

HEY! THE TANKS ARE OVERFLOWING! THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG HERE!

IT'S **BATMAN**. SOMEWHERE! HE'S FLOODING THE HALL SO HE CAN GET AT US! WE GOTTA SKIP OUT OF HERE, FAST!



AS THE ALARMED CROOKS FLEE, **BATMAN** CLOSES THE GIANT VALVES!

THE WATER WILL DRAIN AWAY WITHOUT HARMING THE MARBLE HALL! BUT WE DIDN'T GET A CHANCE TO GRAB THEM!

WELL-- AT LEAST WE BROKE UP THEIR PLANS... AND I'LL BET THEY'RE RAGING!





**IT'S FURIOUS MOBSTERS INDEED WHO LATER CONFRONT THEIR LEADER...**

YOU AND YOUR SCHEMES! EVEN WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO COME OUT OF WATER, **BATMAN'S** TOO MUCH FOR YOU!

YOU THINK SO? I TOLD YOU I HAD A WAY TO GET **BATMAN** IF HE PERSISTED... NOW LISTEN TO IT!



**AND WHEN AN EVIL PLAN HAS BEEN UNFOLDED, TEMPER'S CHANGE...**

WHAT AN IDEA! IT'LL FIX **BATMAN** FOR SURE!

YEAH-- IF HE INTERFERES WITH US THIS TIME, NOTHING CAN SAVE HIM FROM DEATH!



**WHAT IS STACY'S SINISTER SCHEME? IT STARTS ON THE POST OFFICE ROOF, WHERE A MAIL-HELICOPTER PILOT PREPARES TO TAKE OFF...**

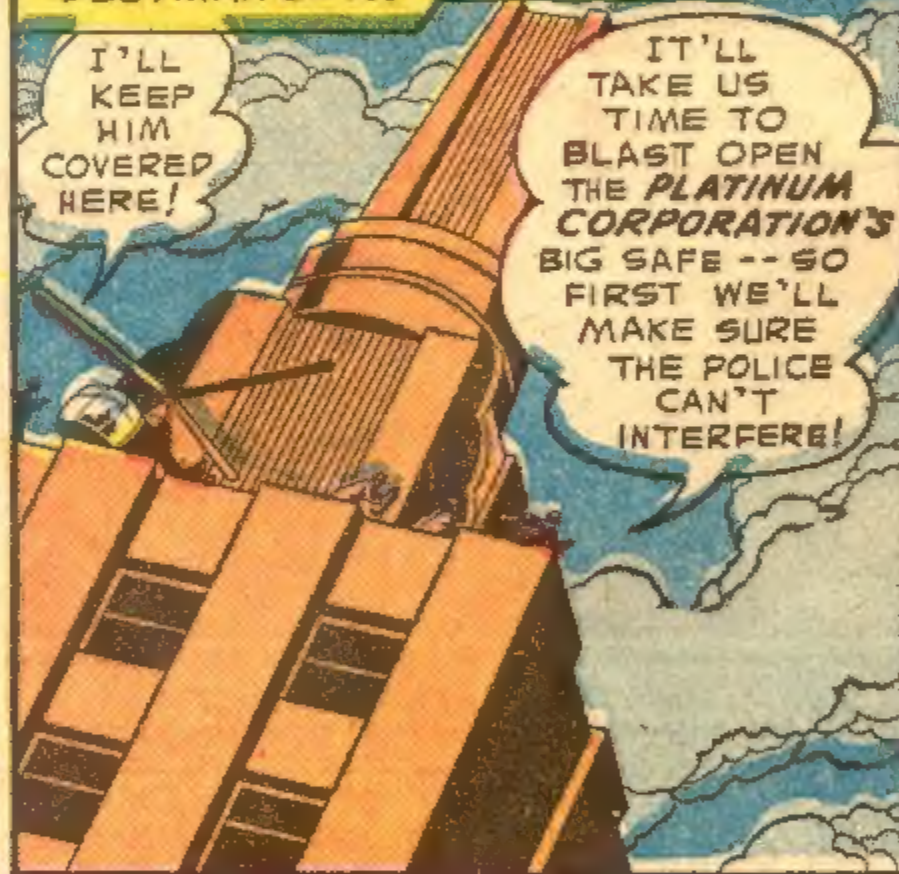
INSTEAD OF MAIL, YOU'RE DELIVERING US-- TO THE ROOF OF THE **GOTHAM SKYSCRAPER!** AND WHEN WE'RE THROUGH THERE, YOU'LL TAKE US AWAY AGAIN!



**AND WHEN THEY REACH THEIR DESTINATION...**

I'LL KEEP HIM COVERED HERE!

IT'LL TAKE US TIME TO BLAST OPEN THE **PLATINUM CORPORATION'S** BIG SAFE -- SO FIRST WE'LL MAKE SURE THE POLICE CAN'T INTERFERE!

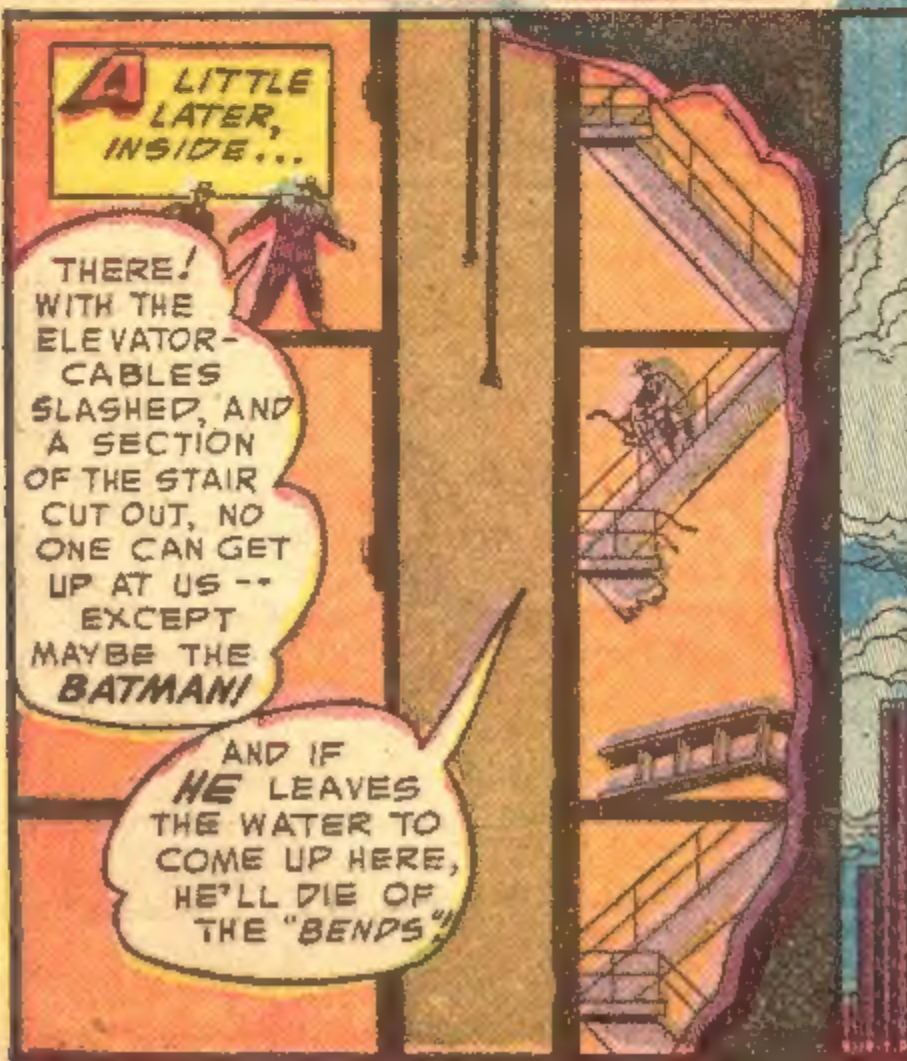


**AND IRONICALLY, TO THE BATMARINE COMES THE FIRST ALARM...**

**A LITTLE LATER, INSIDE...**

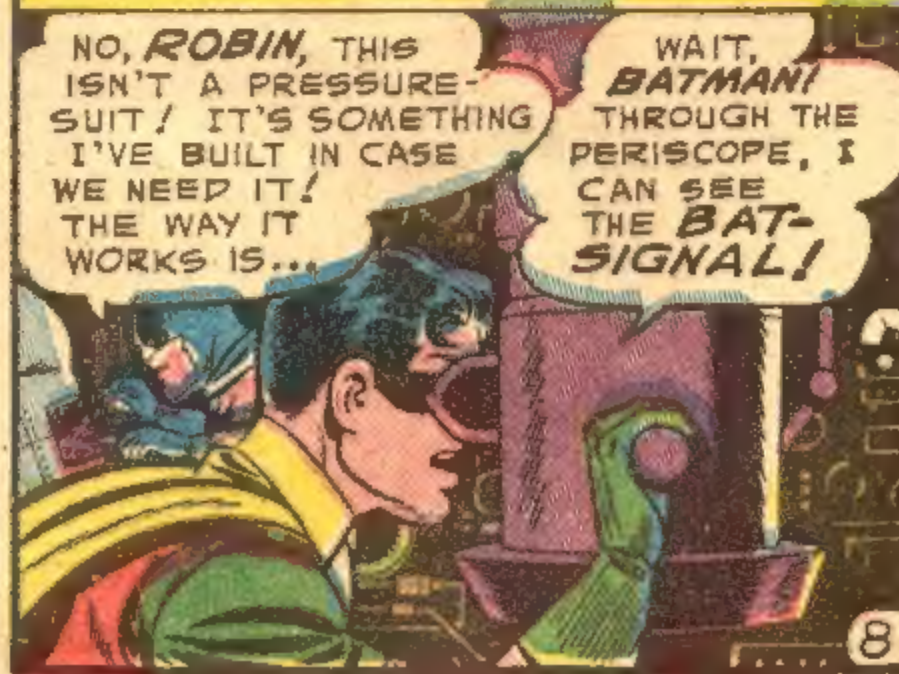
THERE! WITH THE ELEVATOR-CABLES SLASHED, AND A SECTION OF THE STAIR CUT OUT, NO ONE CAN GET UP AT US -- EXCEPT MAYBE THE **BATMAN!**

AND IF **HE** LEAVES THE WATER TO COME UP HERE, HE'LL DIE OF THE "BENDS"

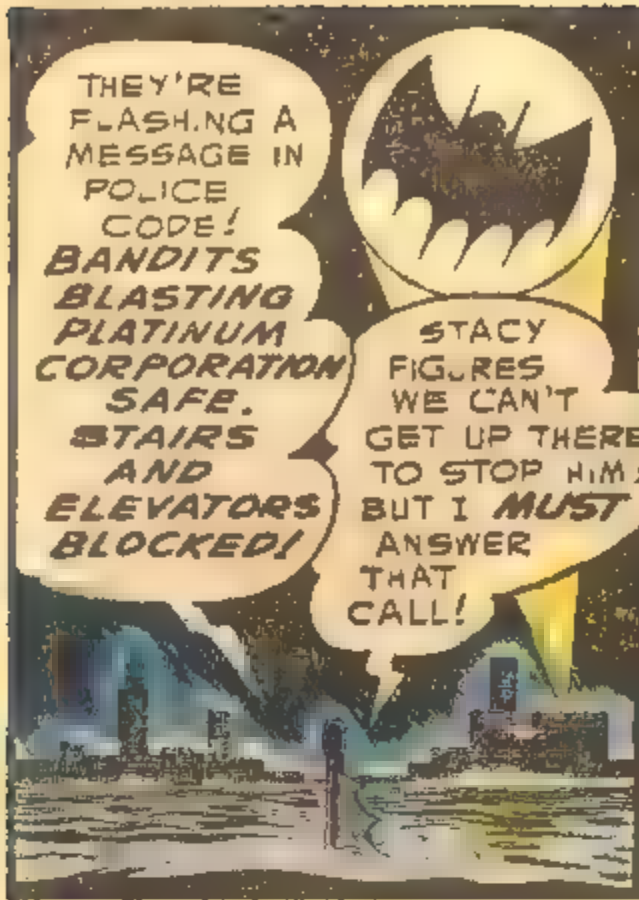


NO, **ROBIN**, THIS ISN'T A PRESSURE-SUIT! IT'S SOMETHING I'VE BUILT IN CASE WE NEED IT! THE WAY IT WORKS IS...

WAIT, **BATMAN!** THROUGH THE PERISCOPE, I CAN SEE THE **BAT-SIGNAL!**

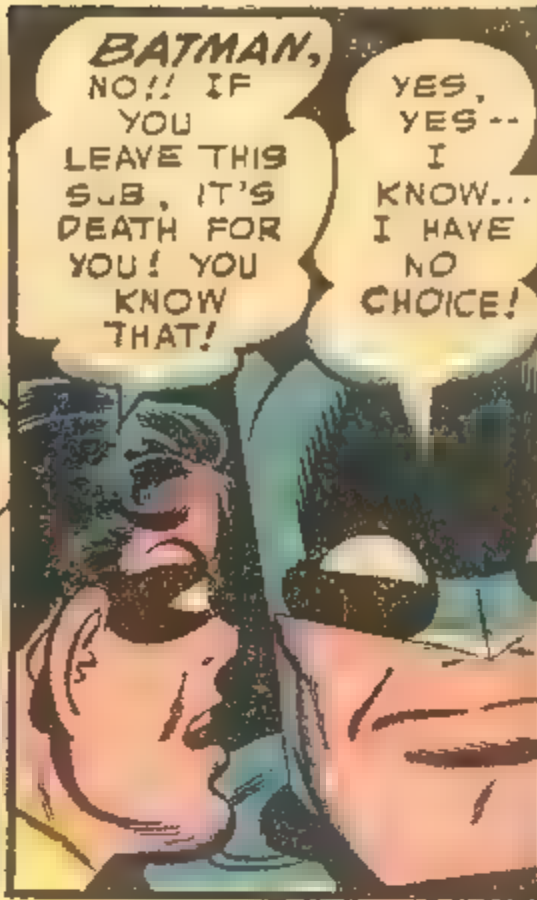






THEY'RE FLASHING A MESSAGE IN POLICE CODE! **BANDITS BLASTING PLATINUM CORPORATION SAFE. STAIRS AND ELEVATORS BLOCKED!**

STACY FIGURES WE CAN'T GET UP THERE TO STOP HIM! BUT I **MUST** ANSWER THAT CALL!

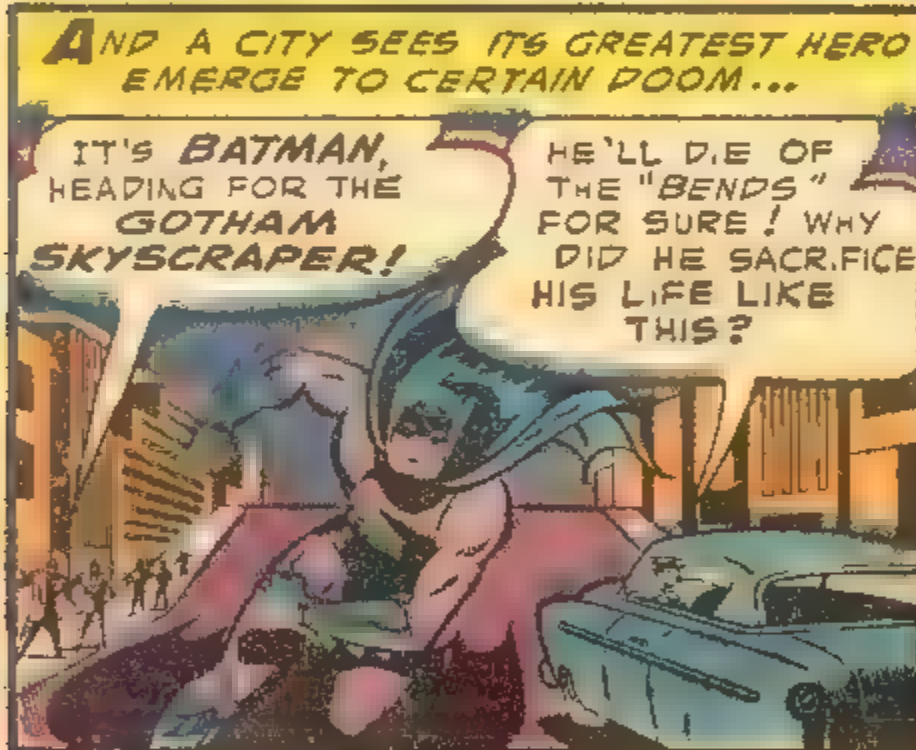


**BATMAN,** NO!! IF YOU LEAVE THIS SUB, IT'S DEATH FOR YOU! YOU KNOW THAT!

YES, YES-- I KNOW... I HAVE NO CHOICE!



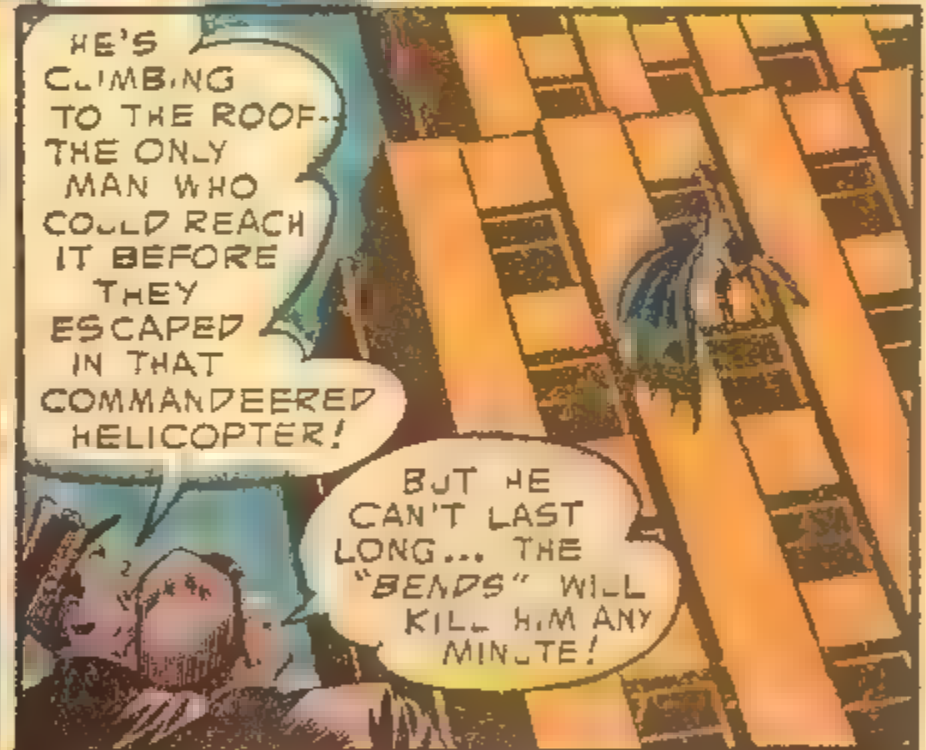
**SO MOMENTS LATER, FROM THE TORPEDO-TUBE OF THE BATMARINE HURTTLES A GRIM FIGURE...**



**AND A CITY SEES ITS GREATEST HERO EMERGE TO CERTAIN DOOM...**

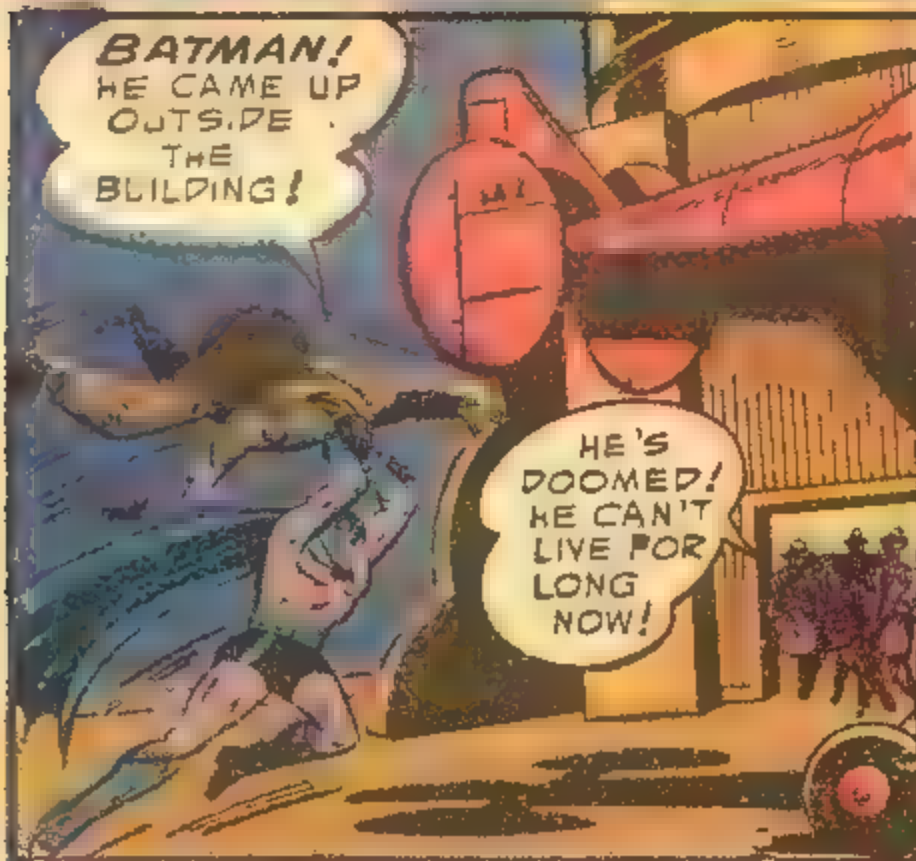
IT'S **BATMAN**, HEADING FOR THE **GOTHAM SKYSCRAPER!**

HE'LL DIE OF THE "BENDS" FOR SURE! WHY DID HE SACRIFICE HIS LIFE LIKE THIS?



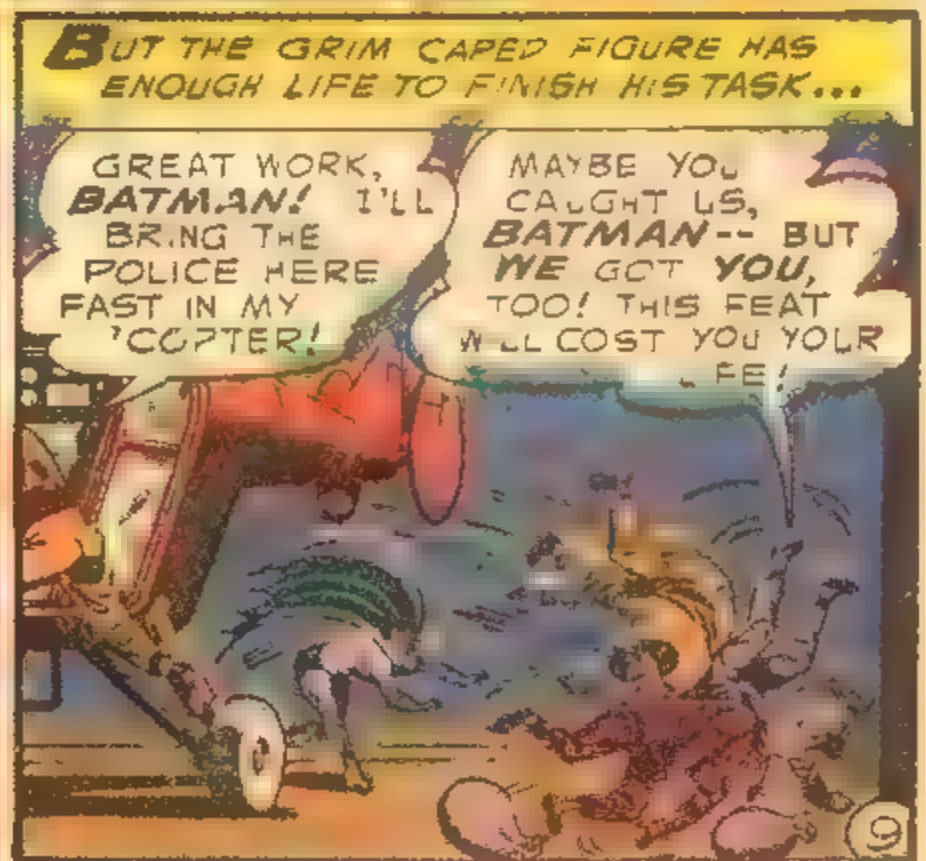
HE'S CLIMBING TO THE ROOF-- THE ONLY MAN WHO COULD REACH IT BEFORE THEY ESCAPED IN THAT COMMANDEERED HELICOPTER!

BUT HE CAN'T LAST LONG... THE "BENDS" WILL KILL HIM ANY MINUTE!



**BATMAN!** HE CAME UP OUTSIDE THE BUILDING!

HE'S DOOMED! HE CAN'T LIVE FOR LONG NOW!



**BUT THE GRIM CAPED FIGURE HAS ENOUGH LIFE TO FINISH HIS TASK...**

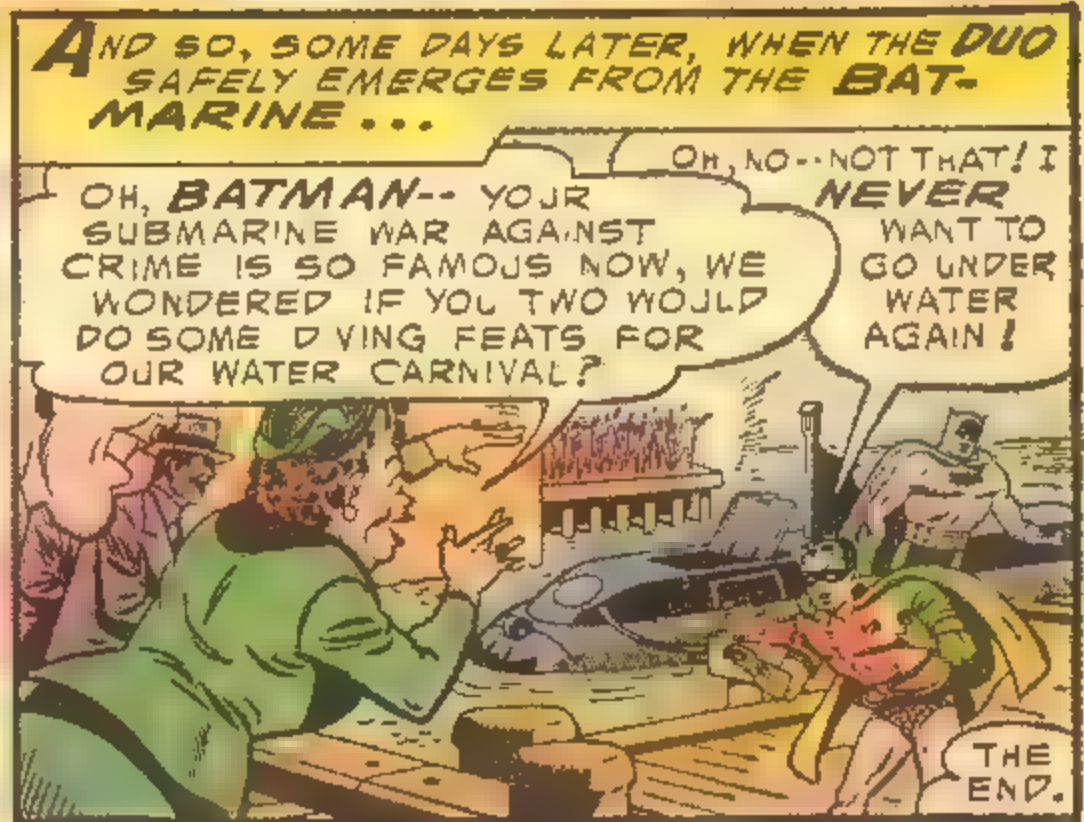
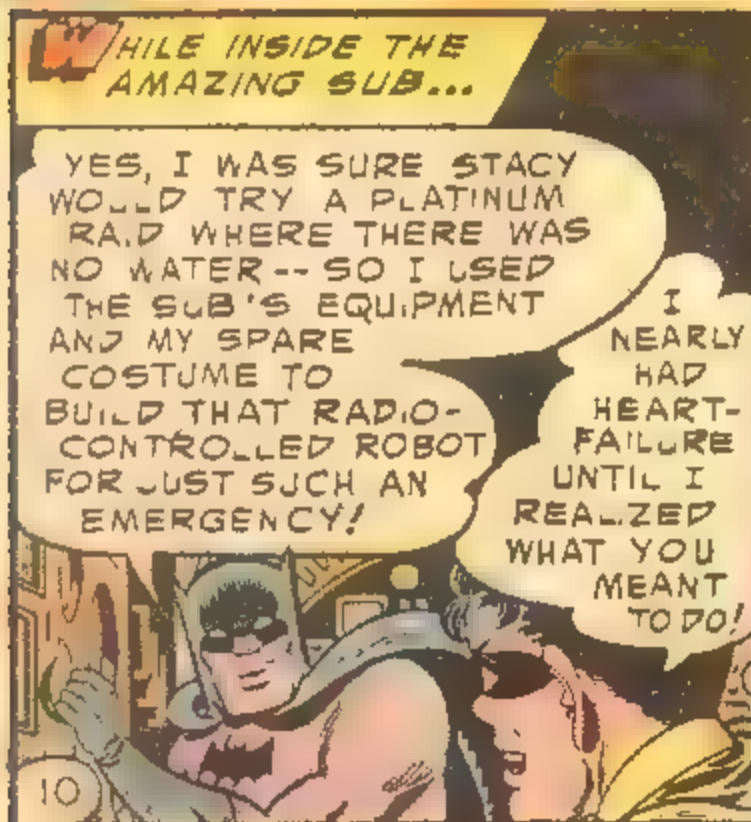
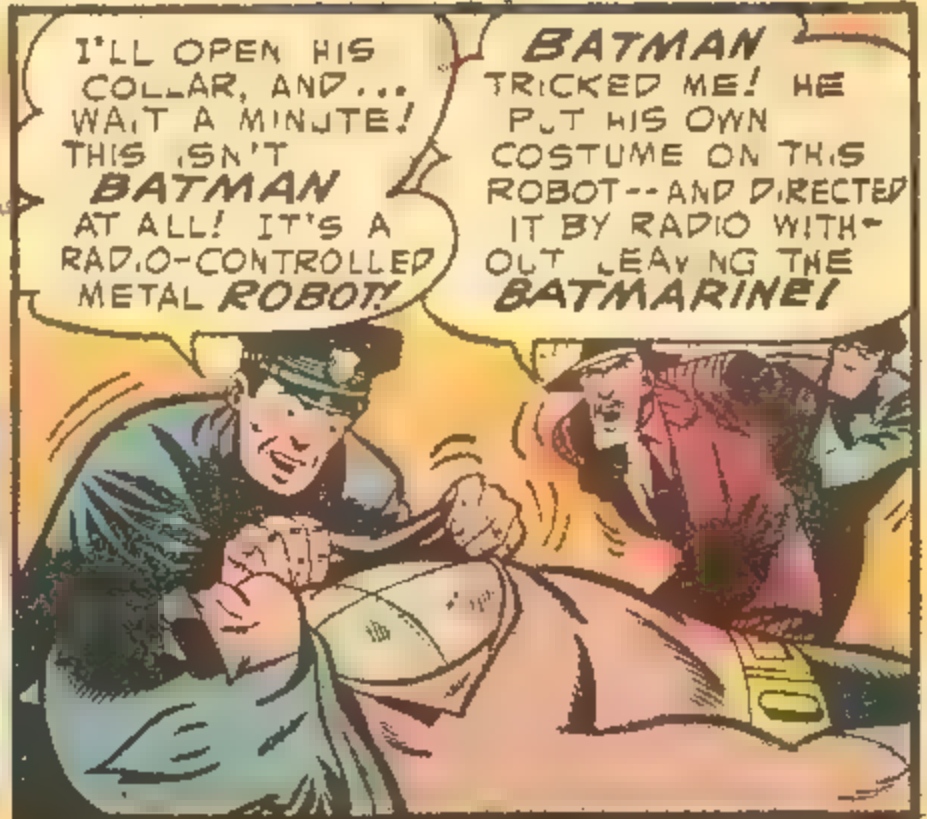
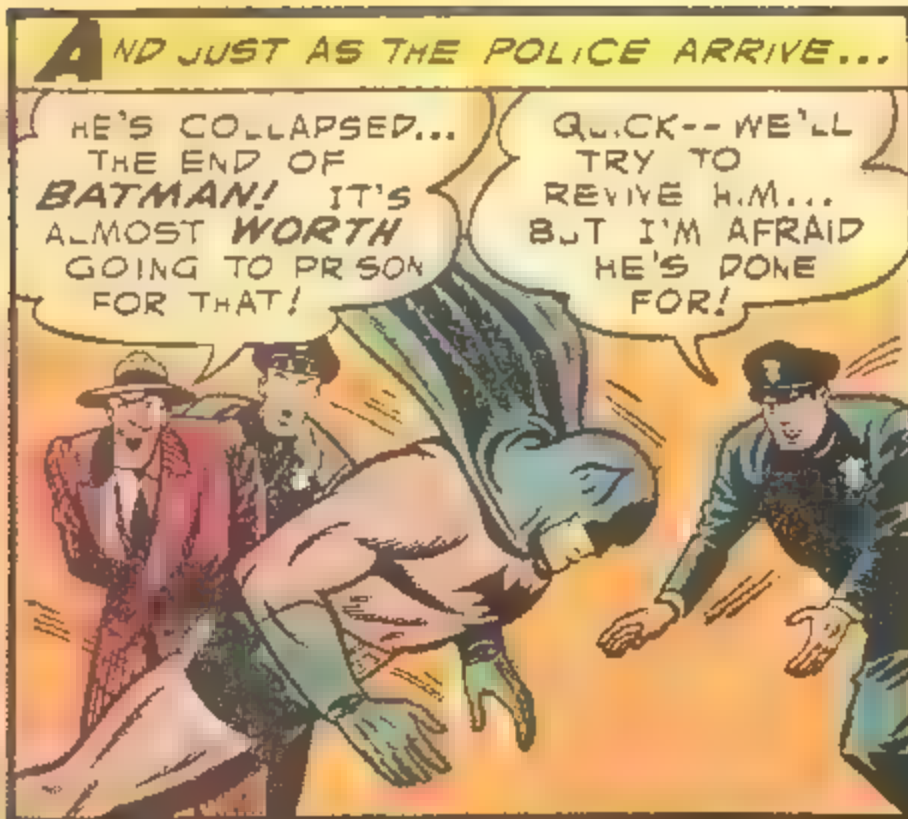
GREAT WORK, **BATMAN!** I'LL BRING THE POLICE HERE FAST IN MY 'COPTER!

MAYBE YOU CAUGHT US, **BATMAN--** BUT **WE GOT YOU, TOO!** THIS FEAT WILL COST YOU YOUR LIFE!





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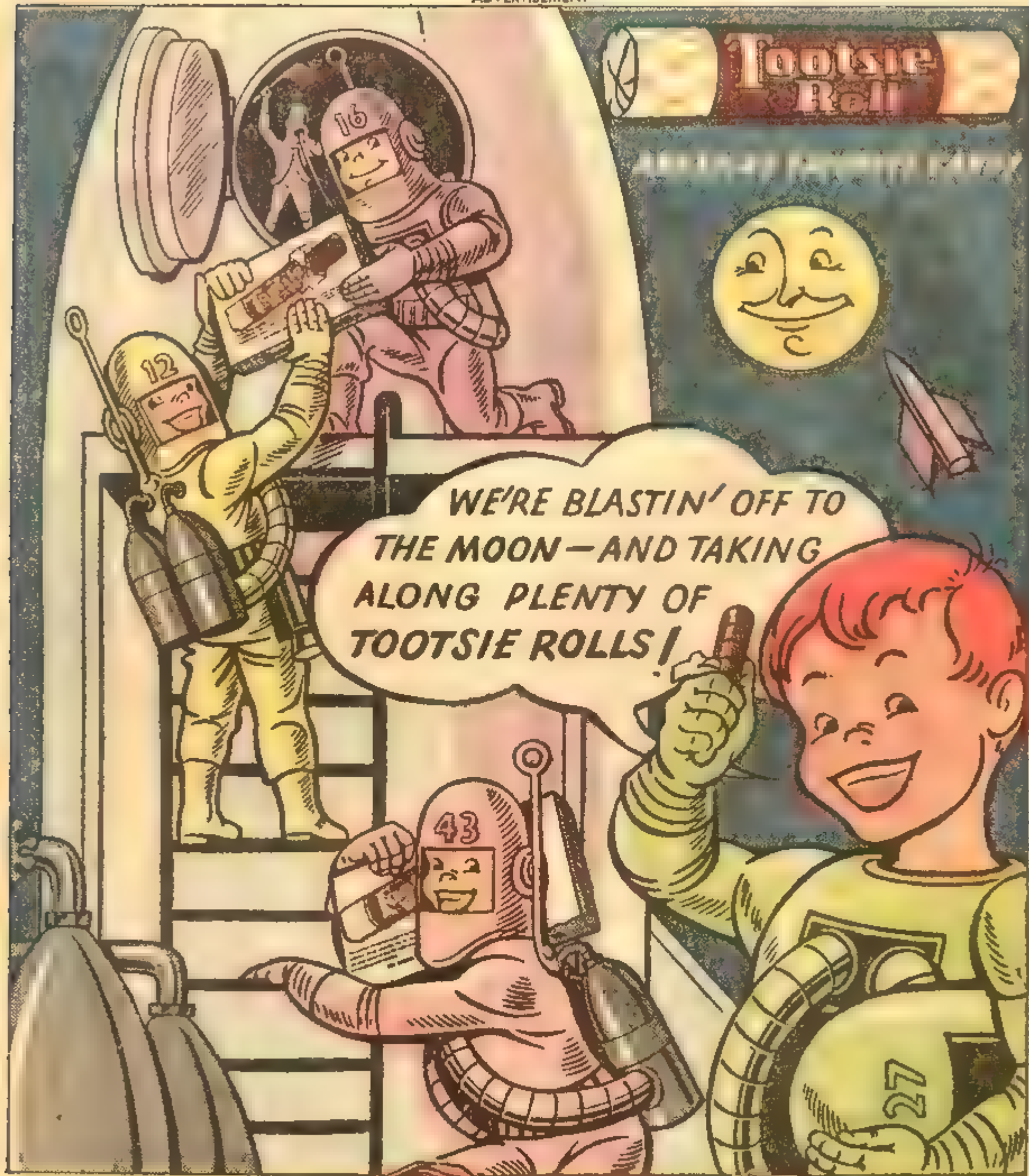


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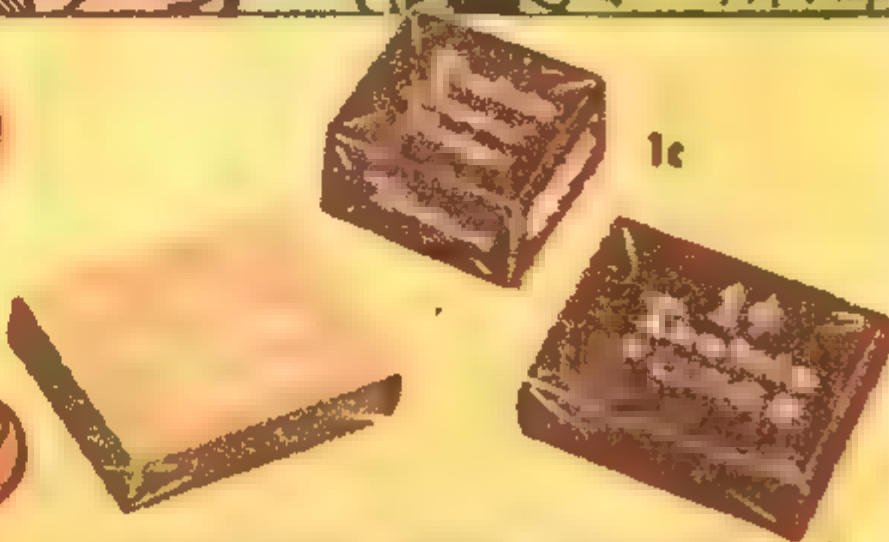


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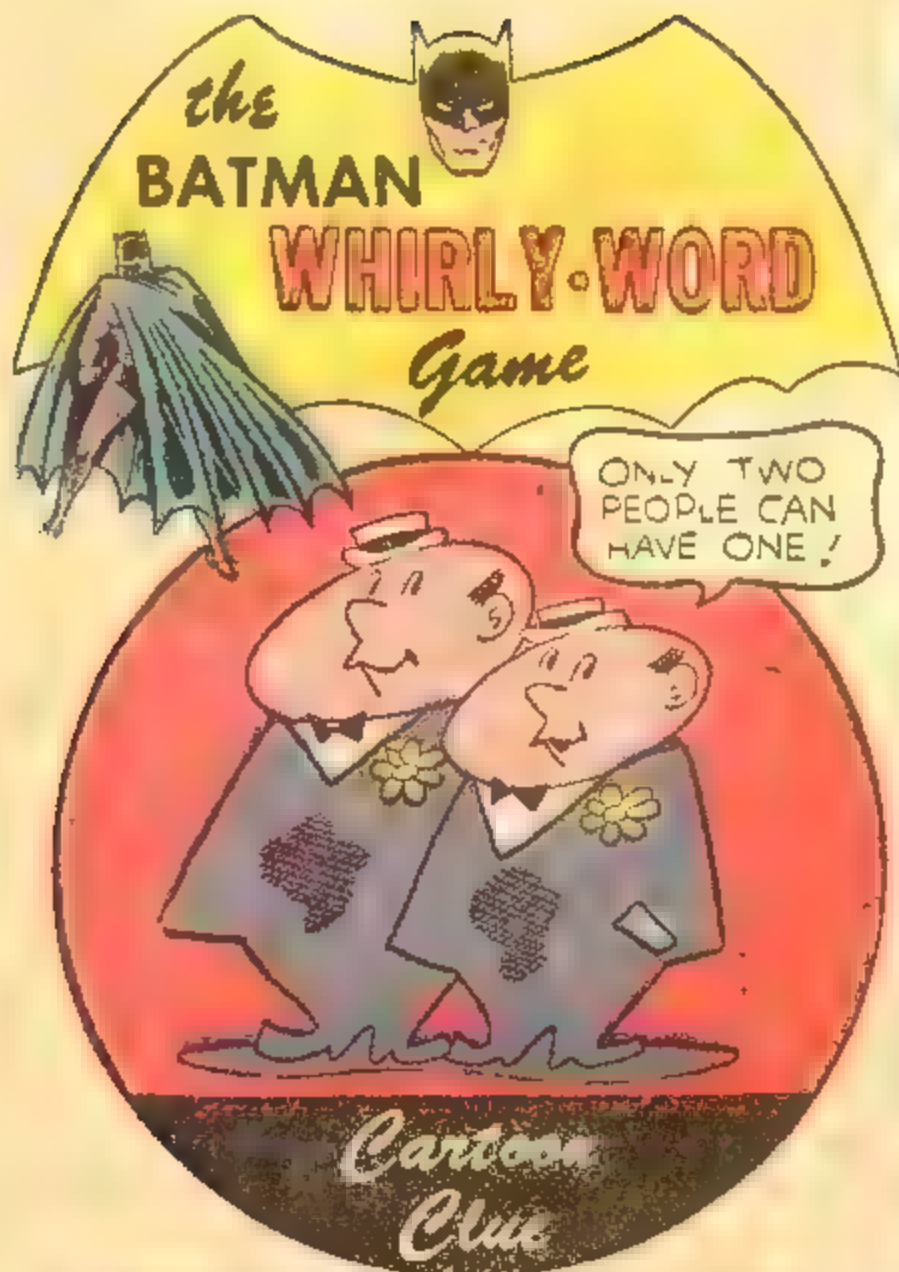


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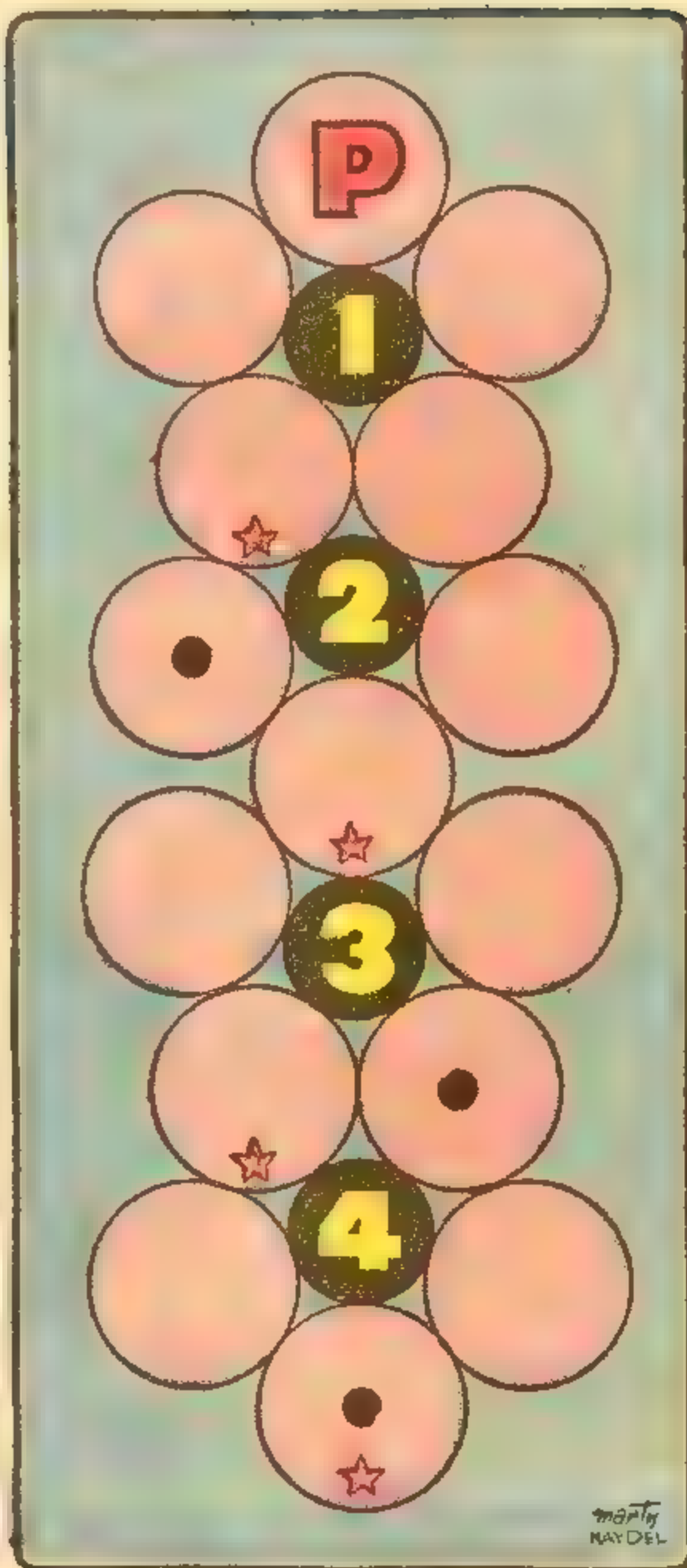
Scrambled Words	
WORD 1. ROPEW	WORD 2. LEJWE
WORD 3. LUBID	WORD 4. BTDOL

**Final Goal**

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## Directions:

FIRST **UNSCRAMBLE** THE 4 SETS OF SCRAMBLED LETTERS, MAKING A **FIVE-LETTER WORD** OF EACH SCRAMBLE. THEN PRINT EACH WORD, A LETTER IN EACH CIRCLE AROUND EACH OF THE 4 NUMBERS, **CLOCKWISE** ..... THE **INITIAL LETTER** FOR **WORD NUMBER ONE** STARTS YOU OFF. THE **3 DOTS** INDICATE WHERE THE OTHER THREE WORDS BEGIN. **THIS COMPLETED**, YOUR **FINAL GOAL** (USING THE FOUR LETTERS YOU HAVE PRINTED ON THE **4 STARRED CIRCLES**) IS TO SPELL THE FOUR-LETTER WORD SUGGESTED BY THE CARTOON CLUE! CAN YOU DO IT?



MARTY  
KAYDEL

**The ANSWER**

[ DUEL ]

[ 2-POWER ]

1-POWER 2-POWER 3-BUILD 4-DOUBT





THE GAME'S NEARLY  
OVER, JOKER!

# BATMAN

AND  
ROBIN

MY TEAM IS  
STILL AT BAT--  
**BATMAN**--  
AND I'VE A HUNCH  
**WE'RE** ABOUT  
TO SCORE!

**FLASH!** THE JOKER, MAD  
MANAGER OF MENACE, HAS JUST  
TRADED TWO OF HIS BEST  
TORPEDOES FOR A SAFE-  
CRACKER AND A CON-MAN!  
SOUNDS ALMOST LIKE A BASEBALL  
COMMUNIQUE, DOESN'T IT? WELL,  
THERE'S A REASON! FOR THE  
**JOKER** IS APPLYING THE  
STRATEGY OF AMERICA'S FAVORITE  
GAME TO THE PLUNDERWORLD--  
AND THAT MEANS UNUSUAL DANGER  
FOR **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN**  
AS THEY FIGHT TO CHOKE OFF  
THE CRIMINAL RALLY THAT CAN  
SPELL VICTORY FOR...

**The JOKER'S  
WINNING  
TEAM!**

**HA-HA!**

**HA-HA-HA**

ONE  
MAN  
OUT!







# BATMAN



ON A BRIGHT, SUNNY AFTERNOON, A LARGE CROWD GATHERS TO WATCH THE GOTHAM CITY GRAYS IN ACTION! AND THERE'S ONE DALEFULLY FAMILIAR FACE AMONG THE BLEACHERITES...

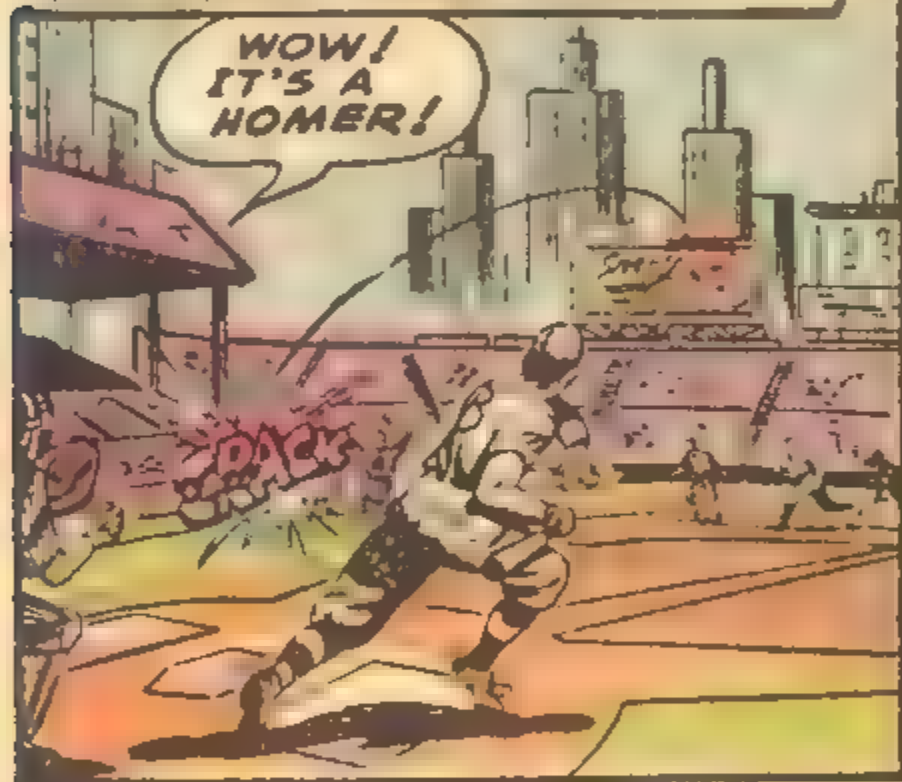
BASES FULL-- AND TWO AWAY IN THE NINTH! BUT SLUGGER DANIELS IS AT BAT!

C'MON, SLUGGER!



THE COUNT GOES TO THREE AND TWO-- AND THEN SLUGGER DANIELS CONNECTS!

WOW! IT'S A HOMER!



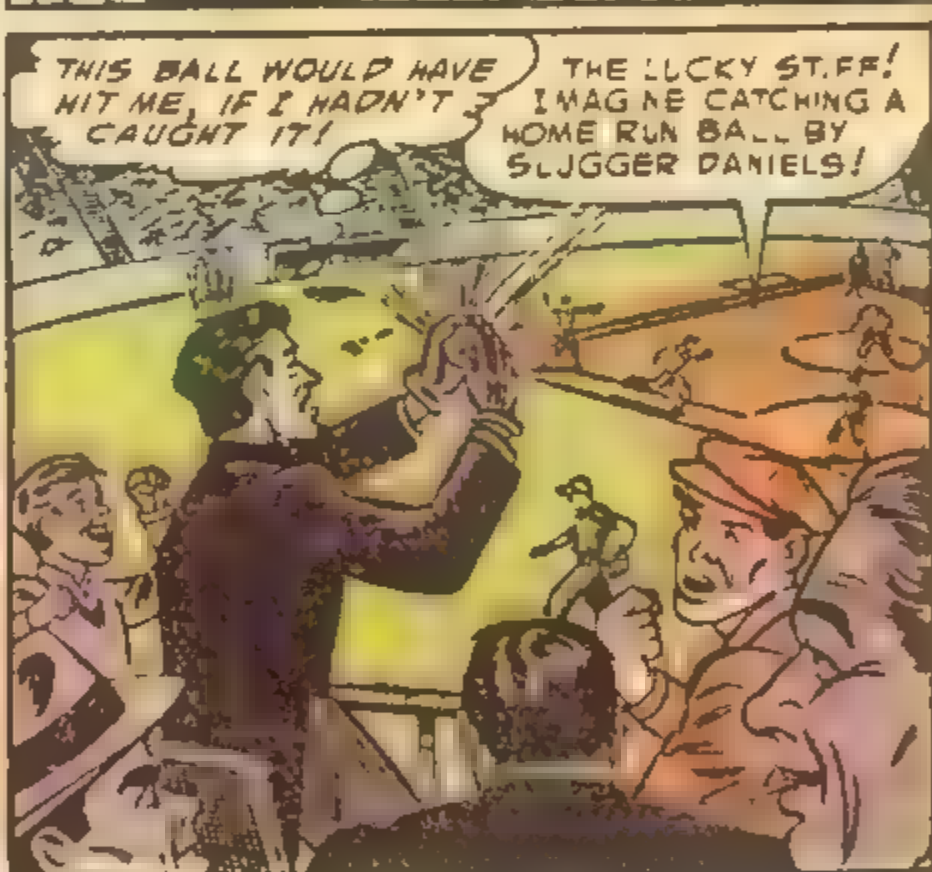
IS IT POSSIBLE? YES, THIS IS NONE OTHER THAN BATMAN'S ARCH ENEMY-- THE JOKER!

BAH! HOW CAN PEOPLE WASTE THEIR TIME IN SUCH CHILDISH PURSUITS? BUT I'VE GOTTEN GOOD IDEAS BEFORE FROM WATCHING COMMON FOLK AT THEIR AMUSEMENTS!



THIS BALL WOULD HAVE HIT ME, IF I HADN'T CAUGHT IT!

THE LUCKY ST. FR! I MAgNE CATCHING A HOME RUN BALL BY SLUGGER DANIELS!



LATER, AS THE JOKER IS LEAVING...

WHAT A HORRIBLE BORING AFTERNOON! I DIDN'T GET A SINGLE IDEA TO HELP ME IN MY OWN BUSINESS!

YOU'RE TRADING SLUGGER DANIELS TO THE METROPOLIS MAROONS? BUT HE'S YOUR BEST HITTER!

I HATE TO TRADE THE SLUGGER! BUT I DON'T NEED A POWER HITTER AS MUCH AS I NEED A FAST, SHIFTY INFELDER AND A COUPLE OF GOOD PITCHERS!

HMM... VERY INTERESTING.





THIS AFTERNOON MAY NOT HAVE BEEN WASTED! EVEN A GENIUS LIKE MYSELF CAN LEARN SOMETHING FROM THE STRATEGY OF BASEBALL MANAGERS! I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE WRONG KIND OF A TEAM--UNTIL NOW!



LATER, AT A HASTILY CALLED MEETING OF THE JOKER'S GANG...

AND SO, LEFTY AND SOCKS, I'VE DECIDED TO TRADE YOU TO THE SOUTH SIDE MOB! I'M GETTING THE KIND OF MAN I NEED IN RETURN!

BUT, BOSS, WE ALWAYS DID OUR BEST FOR YA!



REMEMBER HOW I KNOCKED OVER DAT BREWERY FOR YA?

AND HOW I REISTED DEM DIAMONDS RIGHT OUTA DA JEWELRY STORE WINDOW?

I'VE NO FURTHER NEED OF YOUR TALENTS NOW! GO!

THEY WERE GOOD--IN THEIR WAY! BUT THE MAN I'M GETTING IN RETURN IS **PERFECT** FOR THE JOB I HAVE IN MIND! HE'LL BE HERE SHORTLY!

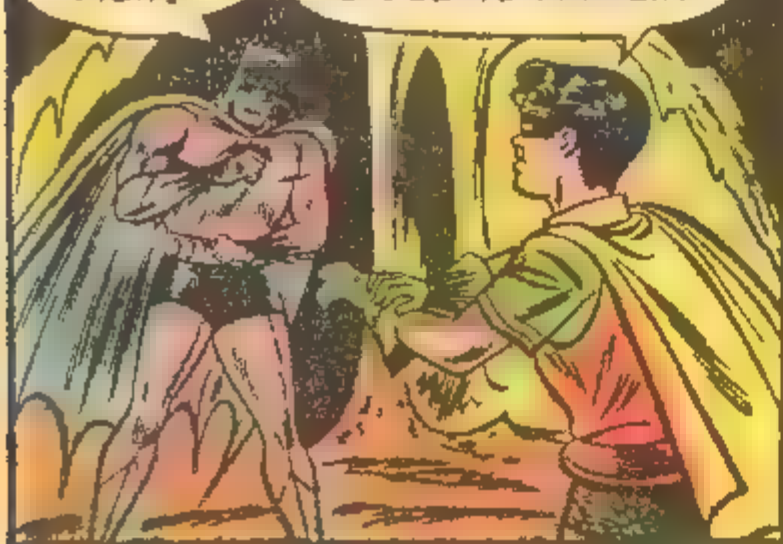
GOSH, JOKER, TH'S SOUNDS LKE A REALLY B.G. CAPER!



AND AS THE JOKER'S CRIME SCHEME NEARS COMPLETION, THIS SCENE TAKES PLACE IN THE HOME OF SOCIALITE BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS YOUNG WARD, DICK GRAYSON...

TIME FOR OUR NIGHTLY PATROL OF THE C.TY, EH, DICK?

YES, BRUCE! THINGS HAVE BEEN QUIET LATELY! I'VE A FEELING SOMETHING IS DUE TO HAPPEN!



A FEW MINUTES LATER, A BLACK SHADOW SPEEDS AWAY FROM A CONCEALED GARAGE AND ONCE AGAIN, THE FAMED **BATMOBILE** IS ON THE PROWL...

POLICE CARS! ATTENTION! PROCEED AT ONCE TO 144 HAZEL STREET...

YOUR HUNCH WAS RIGHT, **ROBIN!** THERE'S GOING TO BE ACTION--TONIGHT!





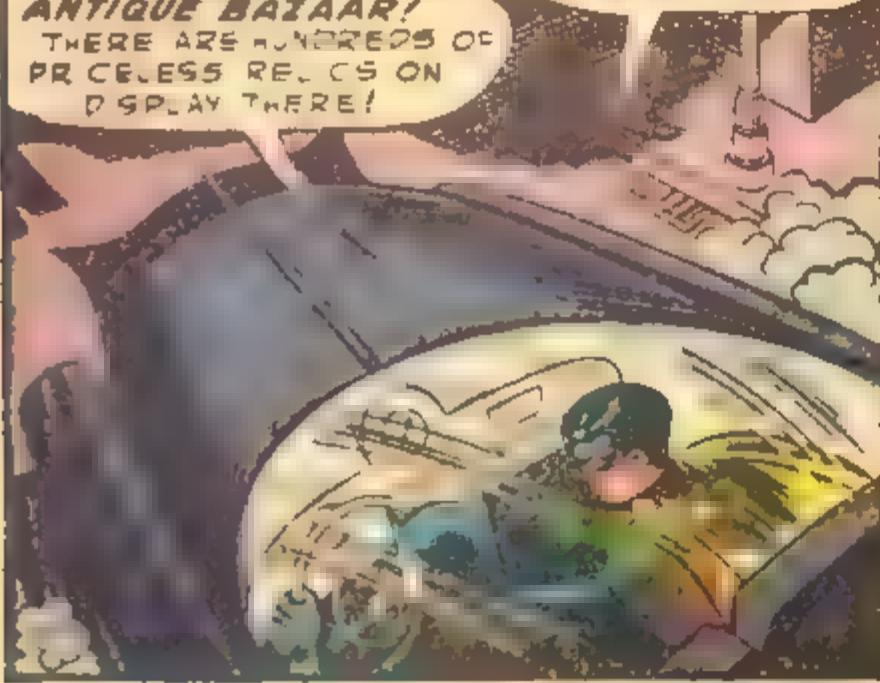


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144 HAZEL STREET IS THE ADDRESS OF THE ANTIQUE BAZAAR! THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF PRICELESS RELICS ON DISPLAY THERE!

STEP ON THE GAS, BATMAN!



YET EVEN AS THE POWERFUL BATMOBILE HURTTLES TOWARD THE SCENE...

THIS NIGHT WATCHMAN GOT OFF THE ALARM BEFORE I CONKED HIM, JOKER!

NO MATTER! WE'LL BE GONE LONG BEFORE THE POLICE SHOW UP! THIS DISGUISE I WORE-- PRETENDING TO BE AN ANTIQUE DEALER-- HELPED US GAIN QUICK ENTRY!



BUT A MOMENT LATER...

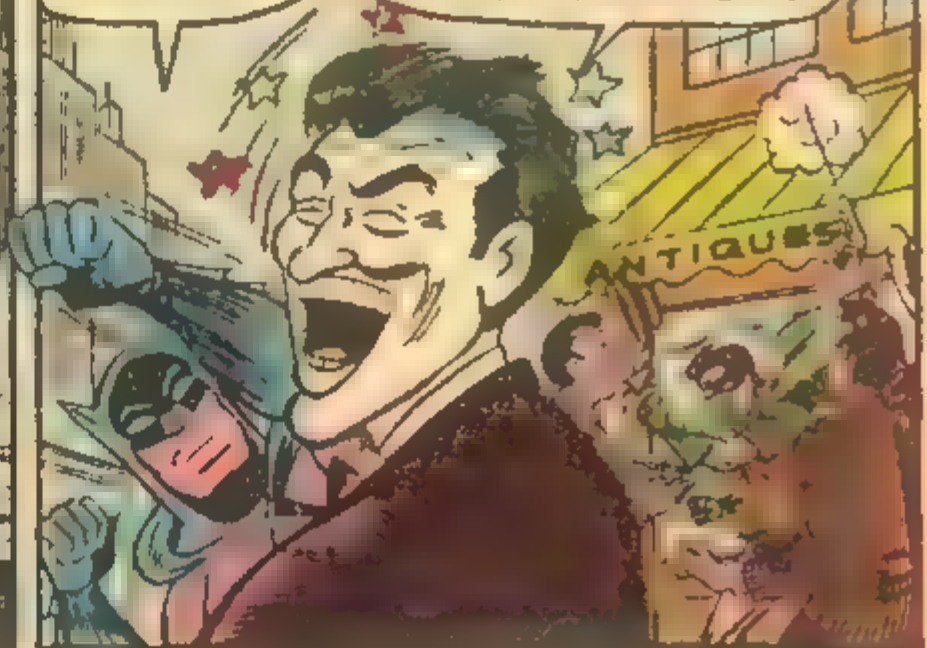
HUH--? BATMAN AND ROBIN!

WE MEET AGAIN, JOKER! AND WHAT BETTER PLACE FOR OLD ENEMIES TO MEET...



...THAN AT AN ANTIQUE BAZAAR!

UGH! THE LONGER I KNOW YOU, THE MORE I HATE THOSE CORNY PUNS!



DOESN'T MATTER, THOUGH... I ALWAYS END UP HAVING A "ROCKING" GOOD TIME WITH YOU! HA, HA!

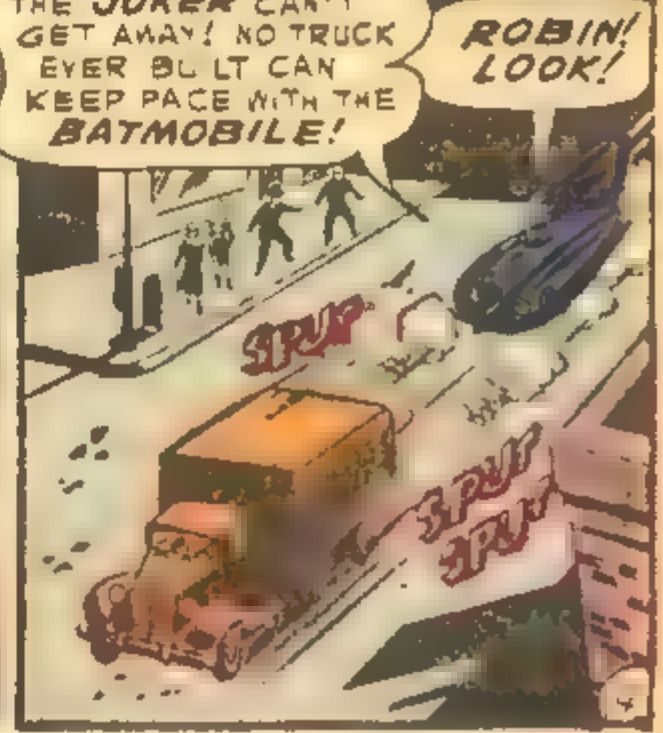
HE SHOULD TALK ABOUT CORNY PUNS! HELP ME OUT OF THIS, ROBIN!

TO THE TRUCK, MEN! OUR NEW TEAMMATE WILL TAKE OVER FROM HERE! THIS CALLS FOR HIS SPECIALTY!

AND THE RACE IS ON, AS THE DYNAMIC DUO TAKES UP THE CHASE...

THE JOKER CAN'T GET AWAY! NO TRUCK EVER BUILT CAN KEEP PACE WITH THE BATMOBILE!

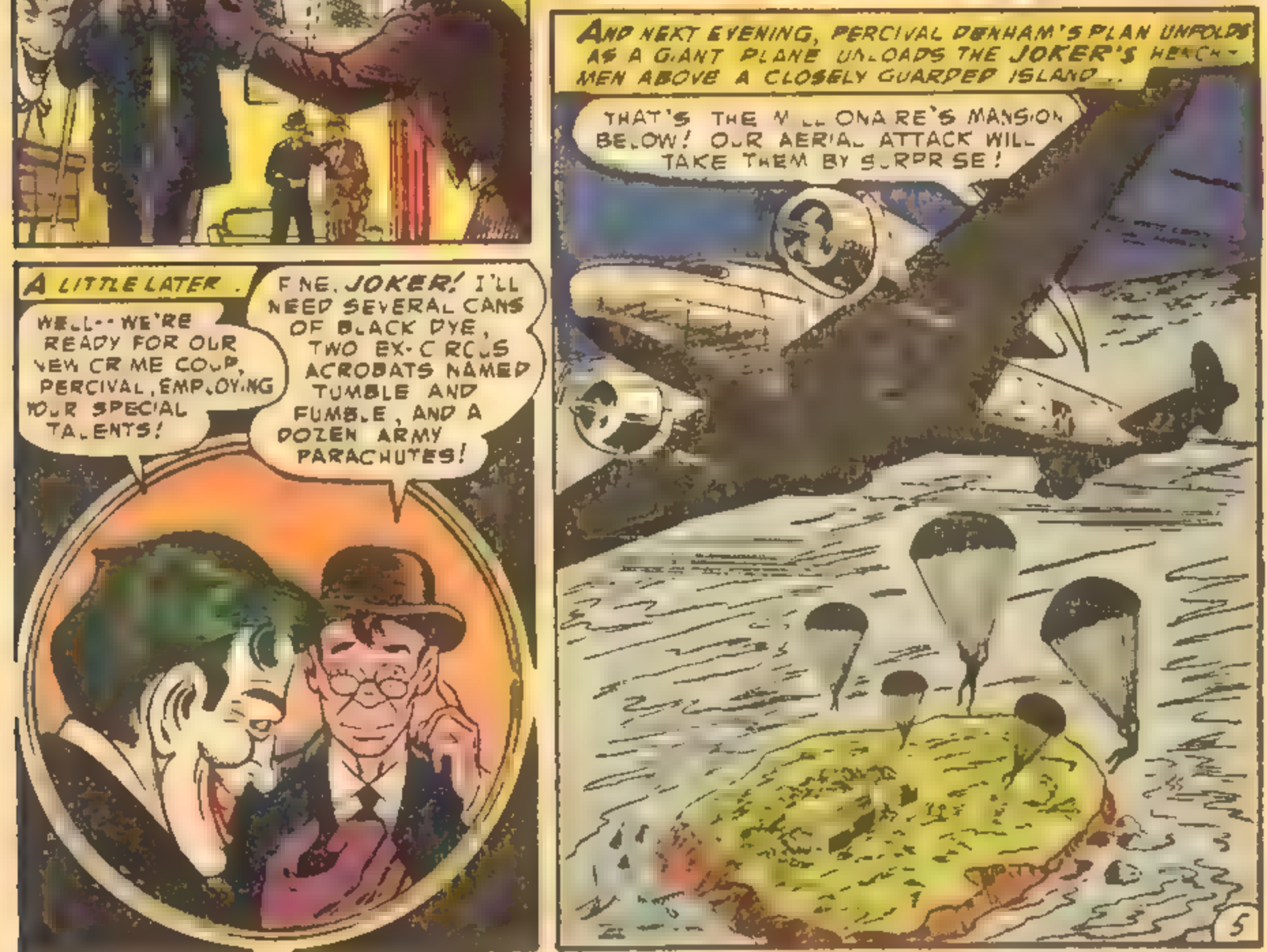
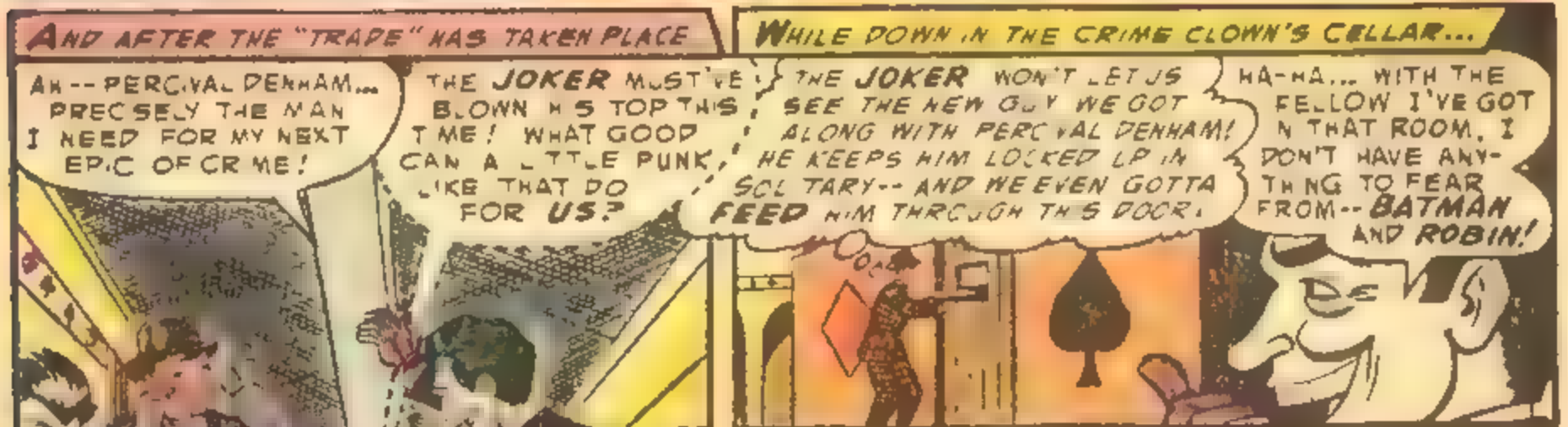
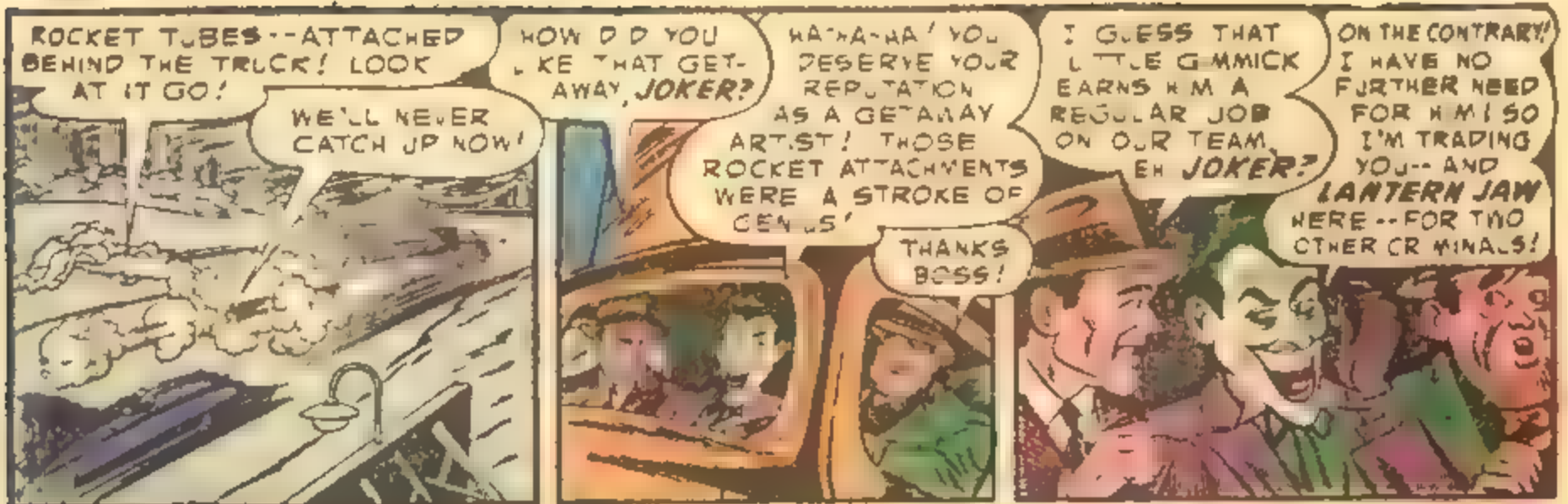
ROBIN! LOOK!







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DYED BLACK THE PARACHUTES FORM AN INK-BLACK BACKDROP AGAINST THE NIGHT SKY AS THE CRIMINALS DESCEND UPON THE ISLAND.



AND AFTER CUTTING ALL PHONE CABLES AND SILENCING ALARMS...

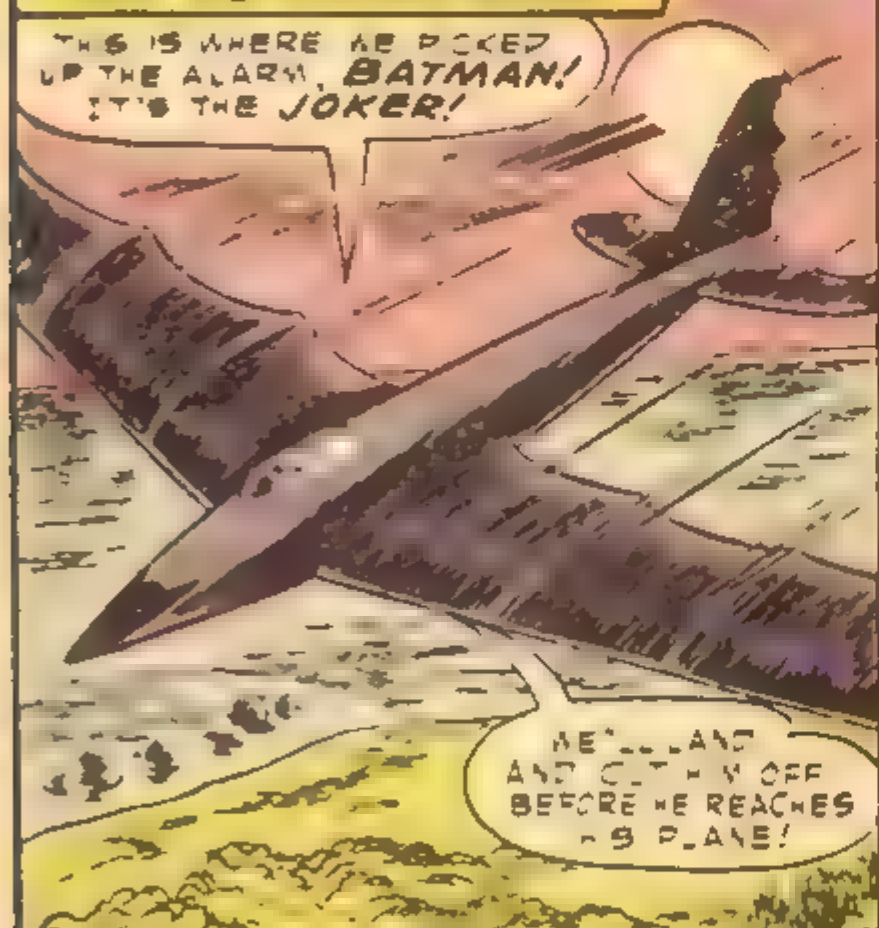
YOUR ISLAND FORTRESS HAS FALLEN! ITS TREASURES ARE MINE... BY RIGHT OF CONQUEST! HA-HA-HA!

YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS, JOKER! I MANAGED TO SEND OUT AN ALARM! HELP IS ALREADY ON THE WAY!



SURE ENOUGH, AS THE GANG RETREATS FROM THE PILLAGED ISLAND...

THIS IS WHERE HE PICKED UP THE ALARM, BATMAN! IT'S THE JOKER!

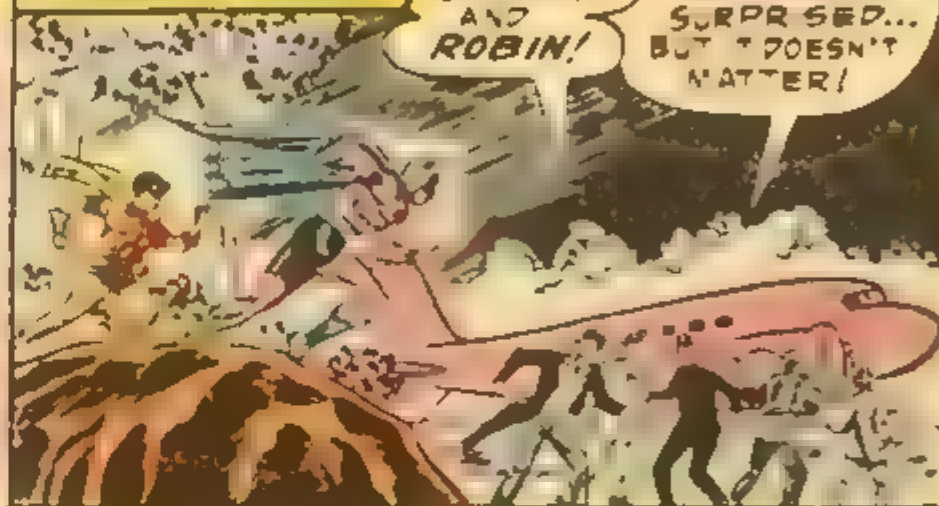


HE'LL LAND AND CUT ME OFF BEFORE HE REACHES HIS PLANE!

MOMENTS LATER...

BATMAN AND ROBIN!

WE'VE BEEN SURPRISED... BUT IT DOESN'T MATTER!



PERCIVAL BARKS A COMMAND, AND...

HA-HA! I TRADED TUMBLE AND FLUMBLE HAVE TWO OF MY BEST NEVER FAILED ME! IN GORILLAS FOR THOSE MILITARY STRATEGY, IT'S ALWAYS AN ADVANTAGE TO ACROBATS! HAVE ONE SURPRISE WEAPON!



AND ANOTHER FAMILIAR MILITARY STRATAGEM COVERS THE JOKER'S ESCAPE...

LAY DOWN A COVERING FIRE! KEEP BATMAN AND ROBIN PINNED DOWN!

FAREWELL, BATMAN! SEE YOU OVER A HOT ASHCAN SOONER!



RAT-TAT-TAT-TAT...



WITHIN SECONDS...

THEY GOT AWAY, **BATMAN!** DID YOU RECOGNIZE THAT LITTLE FELLOW WHO WAS WITH THE **JOKER**?

YES... **PERCIVAL DENHAM**-- THE CROOK WHO USES **MILITARY STRATEGY** TO COMMIT CRIMES!

THE **JOKER** IS SURE RECRUITING SOME STRANGE NEW MEMBERS FOR HIS GANG!

THERE'S ALWAYS SOME KIND OF PATTERN BEHIND HIS CRIMES! I WONDER WHAT HE MEANT BY THAT PARTING WISECRACK OF HIS... THE ONE ABOUT A **HOT ASHCAN**? GUESS WE'LL FIND OUT SOON ENOUGH!

AND TWO NIGHTS LATER, AS A FAMILIAR SYMBOL LIGHTS UP THE GOTHAM CITY SKY...

LOOK, THE **BAT-SIGNAL!**

COMMISSIONER GORDON'S CALLING **BATMAN AND ROBIN!**

SHORTLY, AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS...

YOU SENT FOR US, COMMISSIONER?

THE **JOKER** STRUCK AGAIN-- STEALING A FORTUNE IN STASH FROM A DOWNTOWN WAREHOUSE!

INCENDIARY CARTRIDGES WERE SET OFF IN A RING OF ASHCANS, KEEPING POLICE AT BAY, WHILE THE **JOKER** AND HIS MEN ESCAPED IN SPEEDBOATS WITH THE LOOT!

SO THAT'S WHAT HE MEANT BY **HOT ASHCANS**! ALMOST SOUNDS LIKE A JOB BY **ARSON AL**-- THE CROOK WHO USES FIRE AS AN AID IN CRIME!

**ARSON AL** WAS RECOGNIZED AS A MEMBER OF THE **JOKER'S** GANG! BUT EVEN MORE PUZZLING IS THIS: **PERCIVAL DENHAM** WAS ARRESTED TODAY, WHILE TRYING TO ROB A BANK WITH THE **WEST SIDE MOB**!

HMM... **PERCIVAL DENHAM** NO LONGER WITH THE **JOKER**-- AND **ARSON AL** TAKING HIS PLACE!

LATER, AT THE **BAT-CAVE**...

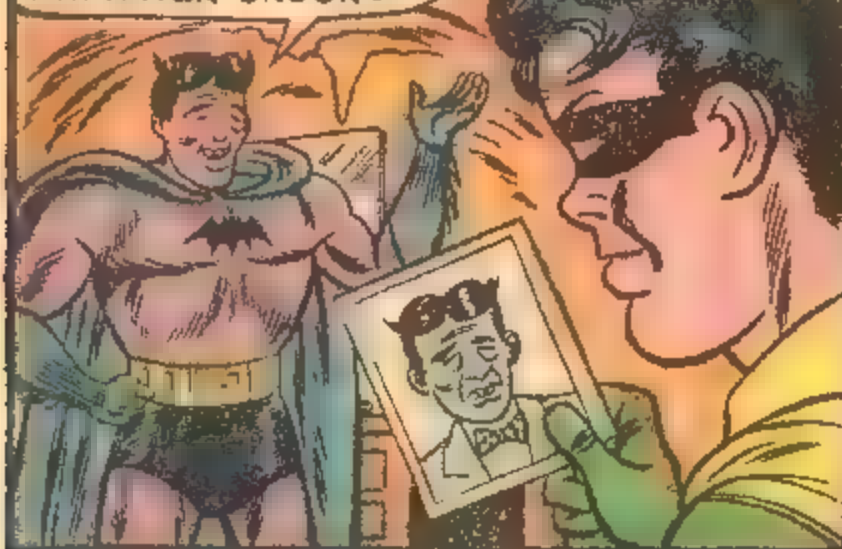
THE **JOKER'S** GOT A TEAM OF CRIME SPECIALISTS-- AND HE TRADES THEM WHENEVER THE JOB REQUIRES A DIFFERENT SORT OF CRIMINAL TALENT!

GOSH! A WINNING TEAM-- OF CRIME-- WITH THE **JOKER** AS MANAGER AND MASTERMIND! HOW CAN WE STOP HIM?



THERE'S AN OLD SAYING, **ROBIN**... WHEN YOU CAN'T LICK A TEAM, JOIN IT! THINK I'LL PASS AS **BOOM-BOOM HARRY**, THE ENGLISH PYRAMETER CROOK?

IF I DIDN'T KNOW WHO YOU WERE, **BATMAN**, YOU COULD EVEN FOOL ME!



**THE FOLLOWING EVENING, IN A NOTORIOUS UNDER-WORLD HANGOUT...**

SAY, AREN'T YOU THE ENGLISH CROOK--THE GUY THEY CALL **BOOM-BOOM HARRY**? WHAT ARE YA DOIN' IN THIS COUNTRY?

AKH-- NO GANG WANTED TO WORK WITH ME ANYMORE! THEY SAID I WAS GETTIN' TOO OLD! BUT IT AIN'T TRUE, SEE? I'M AS GOOD AS I EVER WAS!



OF COURSE, I CAN'T HANDLE SOME JOBS LIKE I USED TO... BUT I COULD STILL BE PLENTY USEFUL--IN THE RIGHT KIND OF A SPOT!

HMM... THOSE TWO CHARACTERS HAVE TAKEN AN UNUSUAL INTEREST IN MY STORY!



**LATER, AS THE DISGUISED BATMAN LEAVES, TWO FIGURES STEP OUT OF THE SHADOWS...**

WHAT IS THIS-- A HEIST?

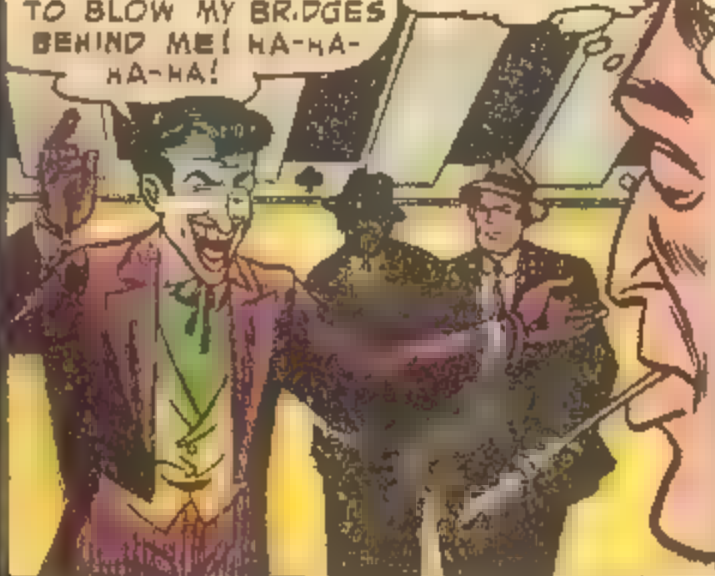
WE'RE DOIN' YOU A FAVOR, **BOOM-BOOM**! WE'RE TAKIN' YOU WITH US--TO SEE THE BOSS!



**PRESENTLY, AT THE JOKER'S HEAD-QUARTERS...**

I CAN USE YOU, **BOOM-BOOM**! AFTER ALL... HA-HA... THERE MAY COME A TIME WHEN I'LL NEED SOMEBODY TO BLOW MY BRIDGES BEHIND ME! HA-HA-HA-HA!

THE **JOKER** ISN'T MAKING SENSE... OR IS HE? HE COULD BE TIPPING OFF HIS NEXT CRIME SCHEME!



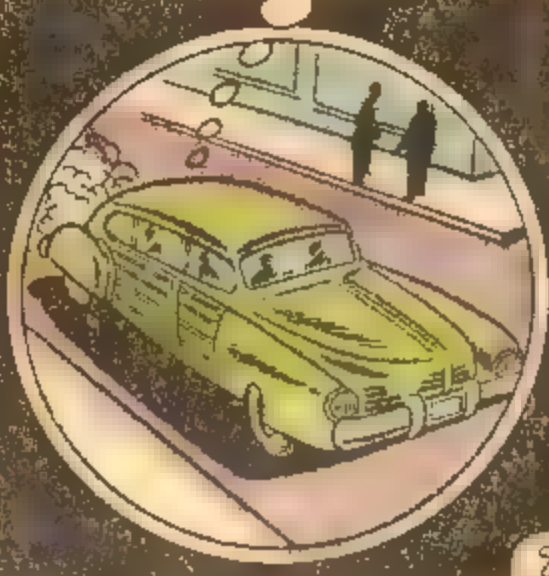
WHAT, INDEED, IS THE CRIME CLOWN PLANNING? ONCE ALONE, HE REPAIRS TO THE CELLAR, WHERE...

FOR MY NEXT MASTER CRIME, I'LL NEED THE TEAM MEMBER I'VE BEEN KEEPING IN RESERVE! HA-HA-HA... IF **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** MEET HIM, THEY'RE DUE FOR A REAL SURPRISE!



**LATER, AS THE WHOLE GANG TAKES OFF IN A STATION WAGON...**

I HAVEN'T HAD A SINGLE MOMENT ALONE TO CONTACT **ROBIN**! HOW CAN I LET HIM KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING?







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ONLY ONE CHANCE... I'LL OPEN THE SWITCH ON MY BELT RADIO, AND LET HIM OVERHEAR WHAT I FIND OUT!

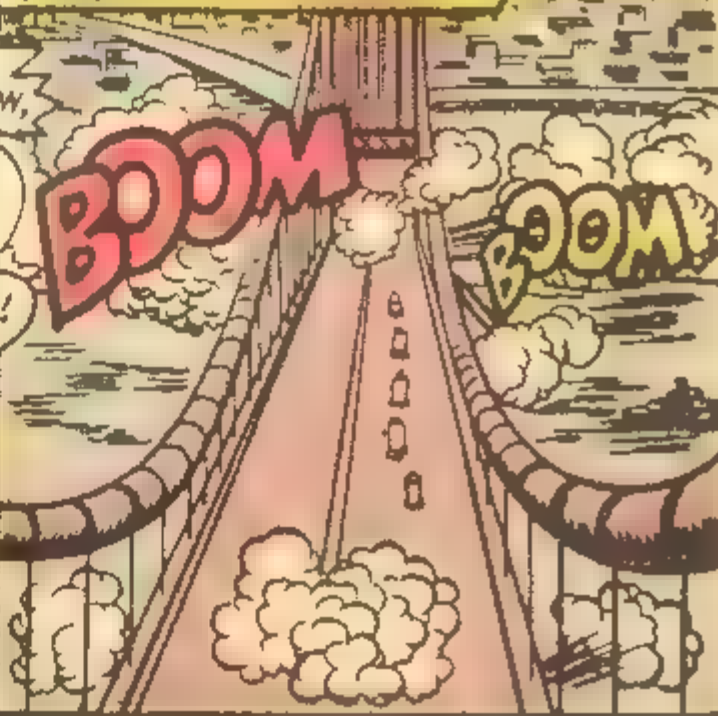
SAY, JOKER-- WHAT IS THIS CAPER ALL ABOUT? THERE'S A FLEET OF ARMORED CARS DELIVERING GOLD BULLION FOR EXPORT! THEY'LL BE CROSSING MADISON BRIDGE IN A LITTLE WHILE!

AND AT THIS VERY MOMENT, IN POLICE HEADQUARTERS...

...WE'LL GET THERE FIRST-- AND YOU'LL SET DYNAMITE CHARGES TO PARTLY WRECK THE BRIDGE! IN THE CONFUSION, WE'LL SEIZE THE ARMORED CARS AND ESCAPE!

SO THAT'S THE JOKER'S SCHEME! SEND OUT A GENERAL ALARM! HURRY!

BUT THE GANG ARRIVES BEFORE THE POLICE-- AND AS THE FLEET OF ARMORED CARS STARTS ACROSS...

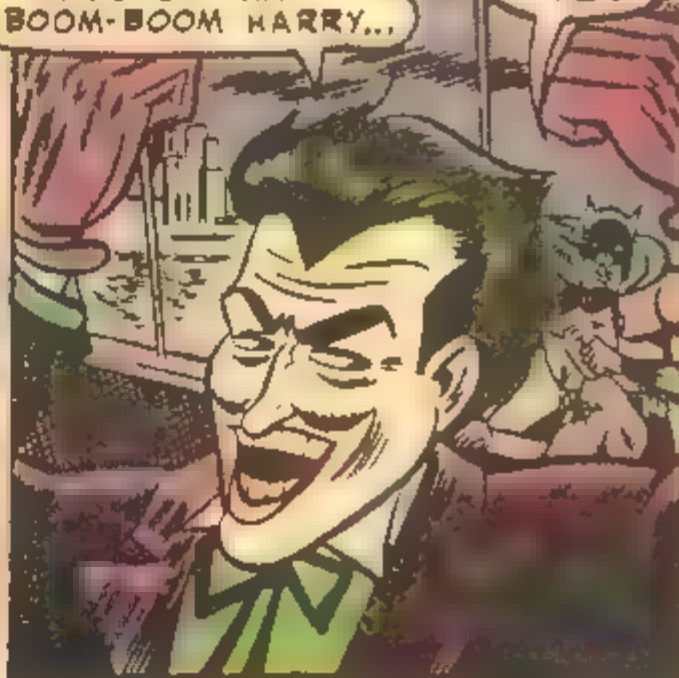
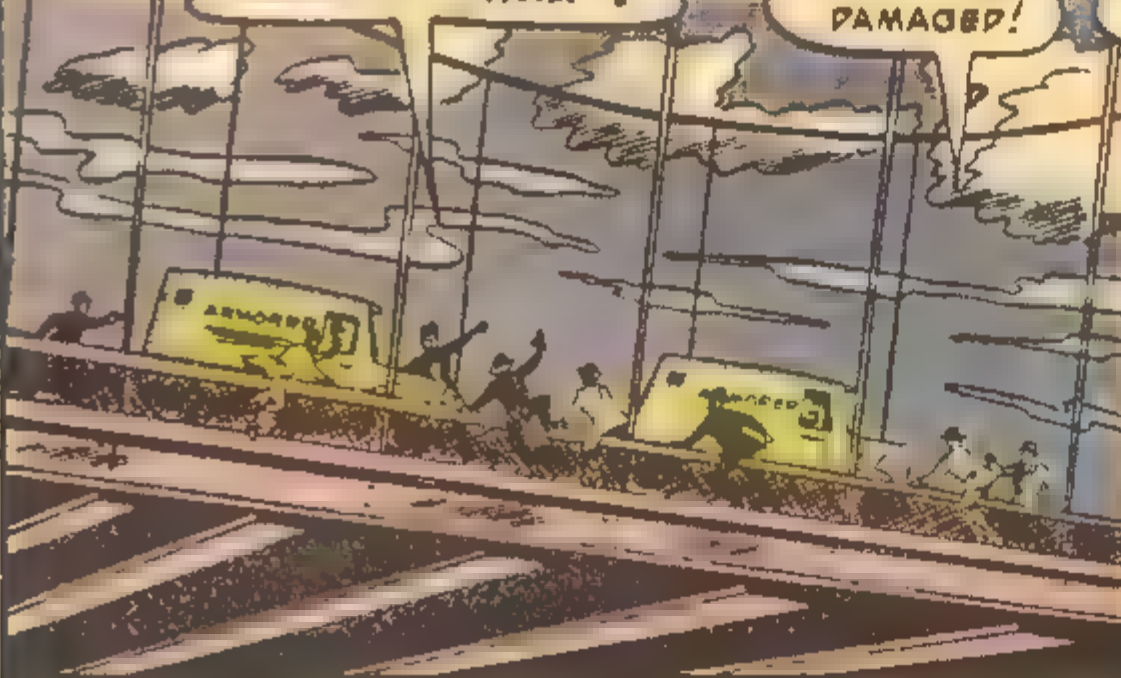


BOOM-BOOM SET OFF THE DYNAMITE CHARGES! NOW GRAB THOSE ARMORED CARS AND... WHA--?

HEY, JOKER! THE BRIDGE ISN'T EVEN DAMAGED!

WE'VE BEEN DOUBLE-CROSSED! IF I GET MY HANDS ON THAT BOOM-BOOM HARRY...

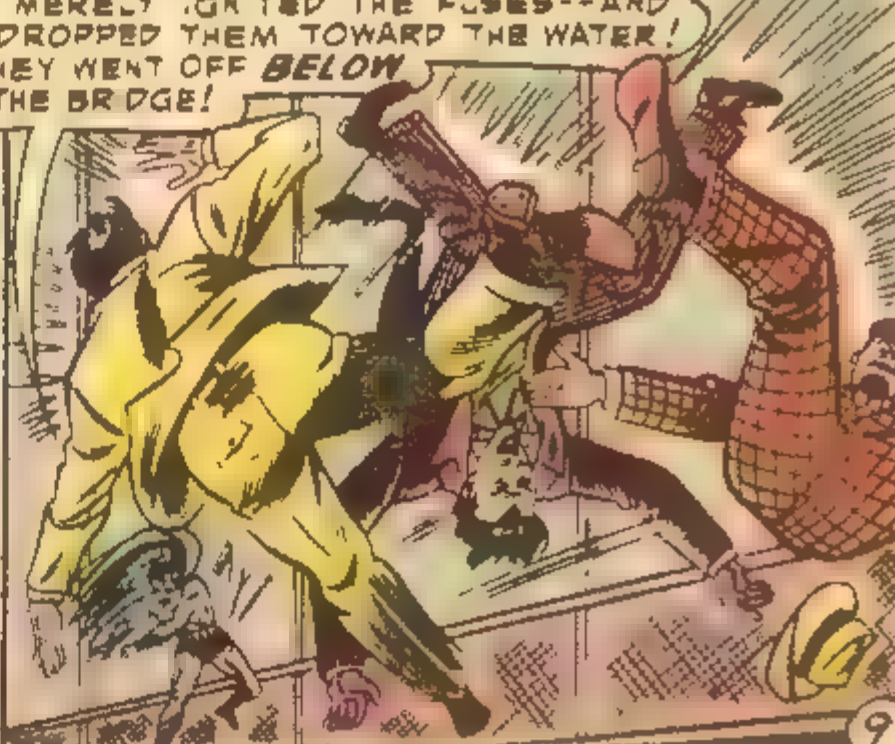
SOMEONE FACING ME!



BATMAN! I'LL... I'LL...

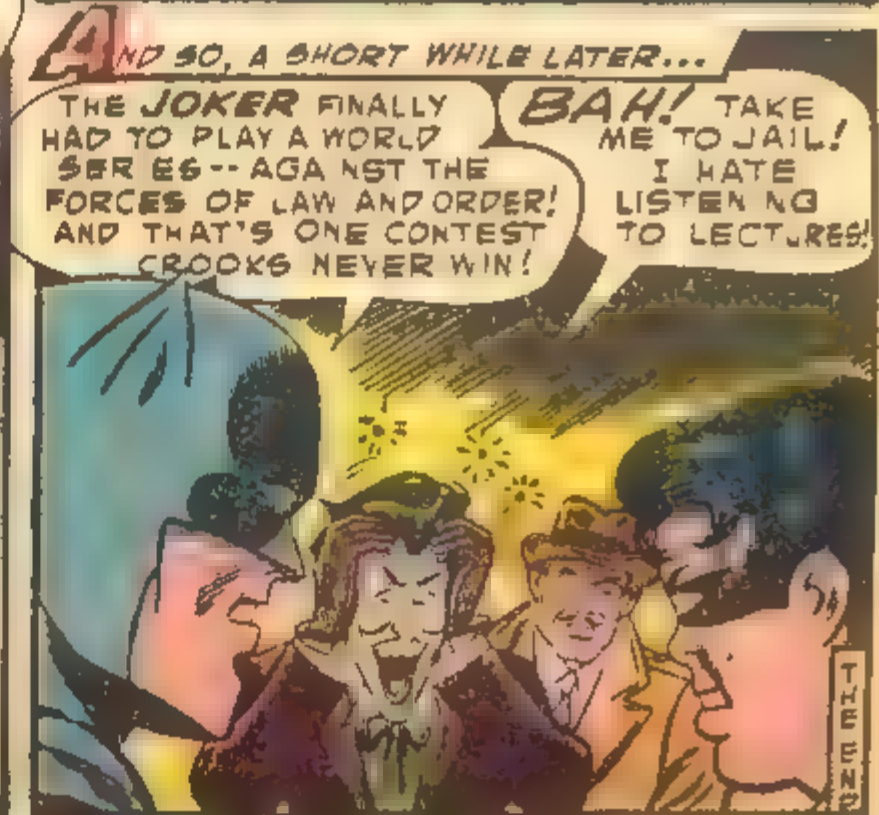
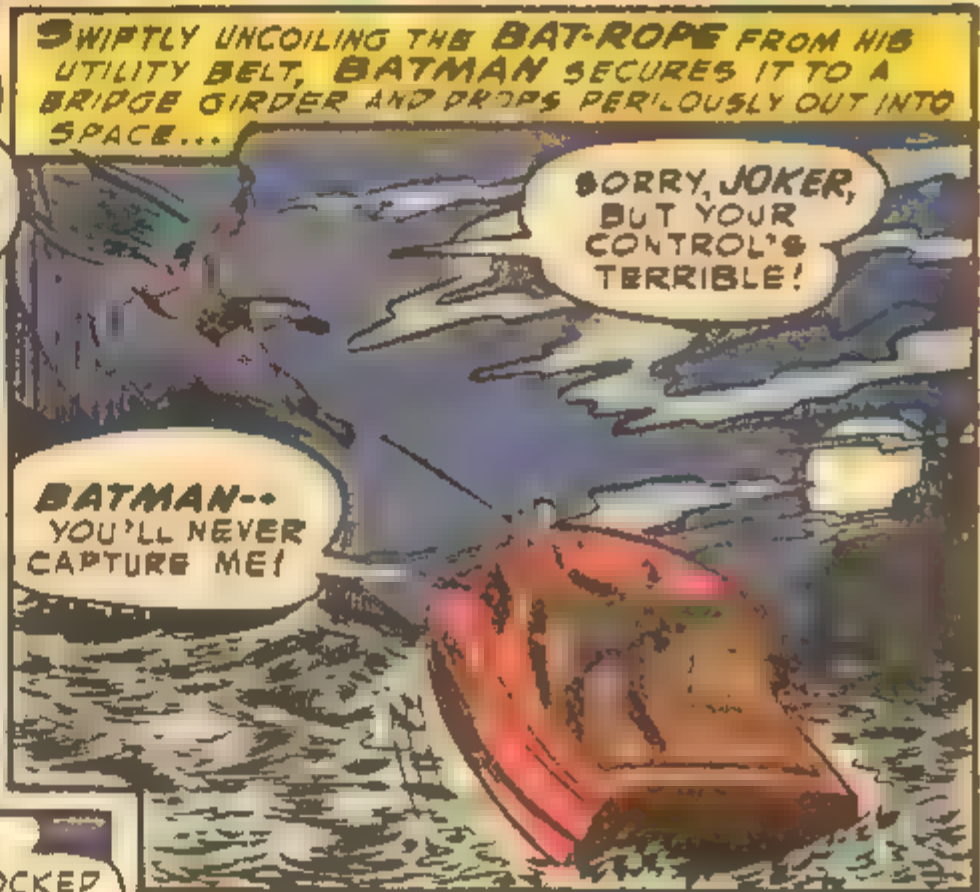
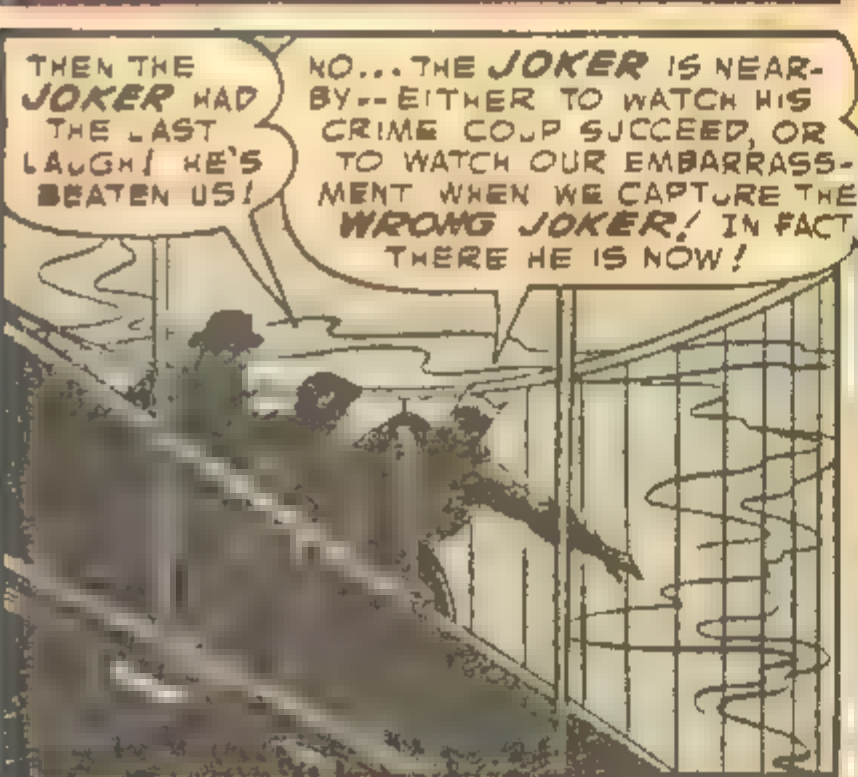
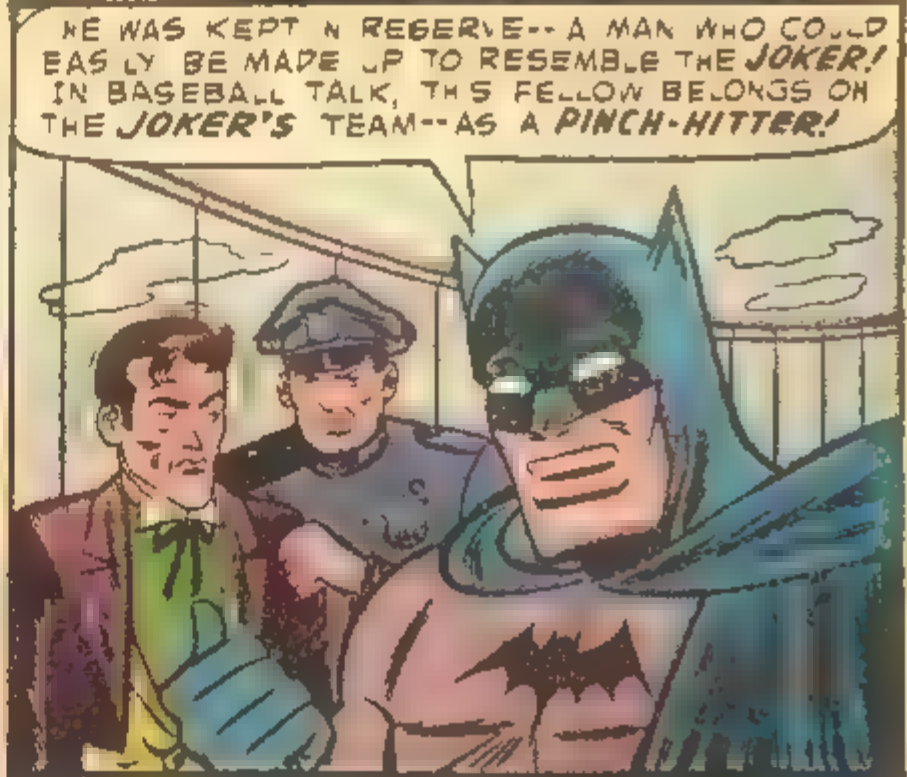
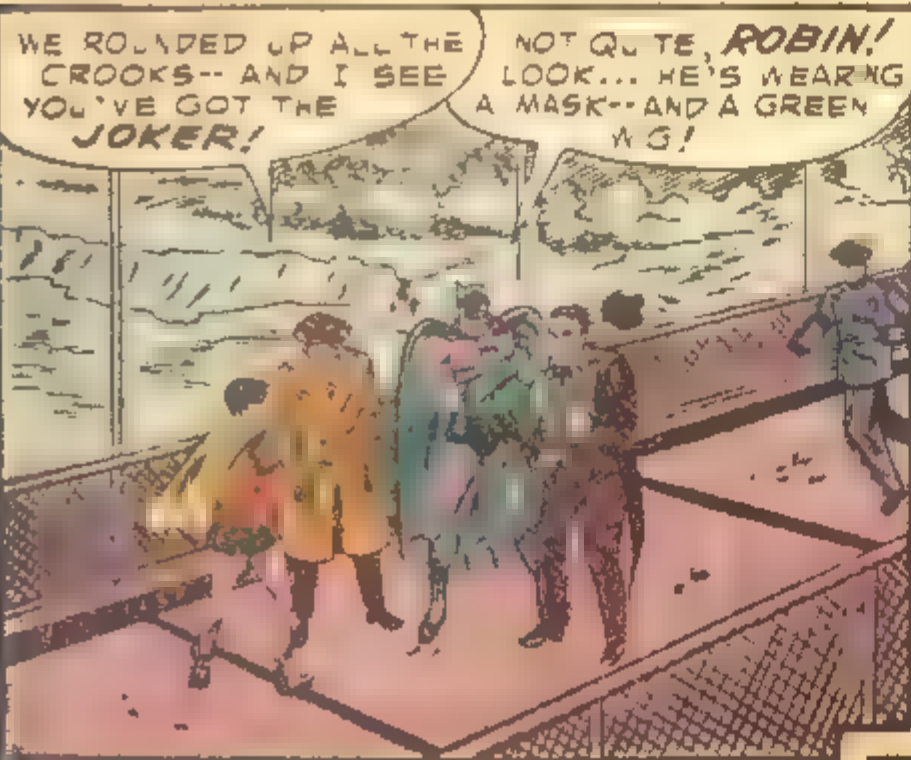
DON'T MAKE RASH THREATS, JOKER, WHEN YOU CAN'T KEEP THEM!

YOU FORGET THAT DYNAMITE EXERTS ITS EXPLOSIVE FORCE **DOWNWARD**! I MERELY LIGHTED THE FUSES--AND DROPPED THEM TOWARD THE WATER! THEY WENT OFF **BELOW** THE BRIDGE!



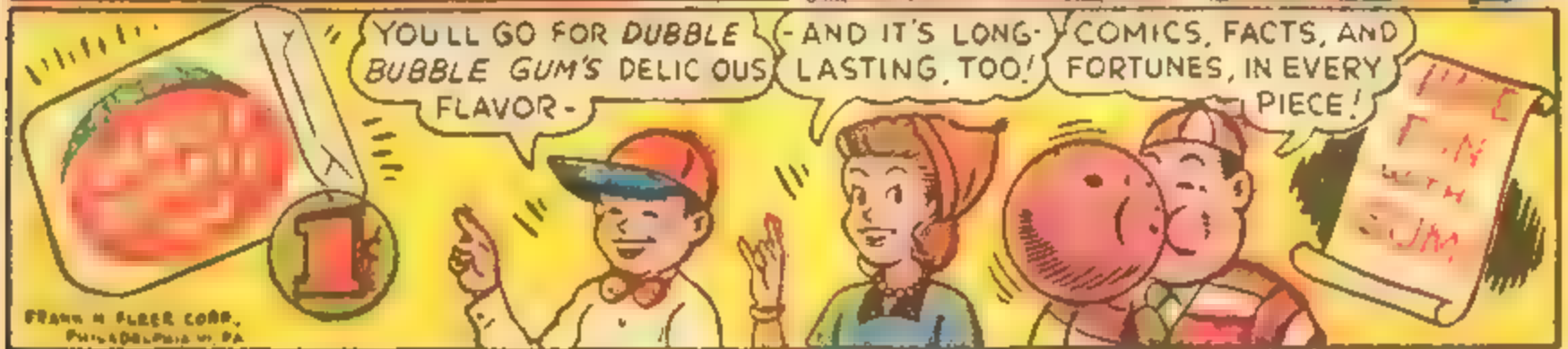
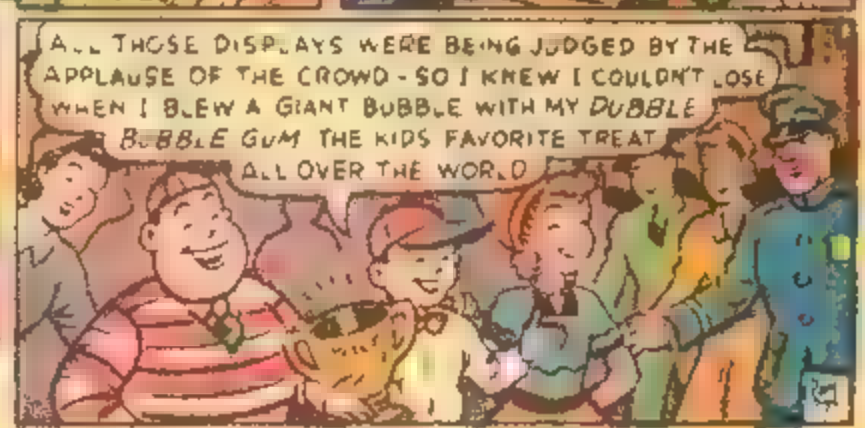
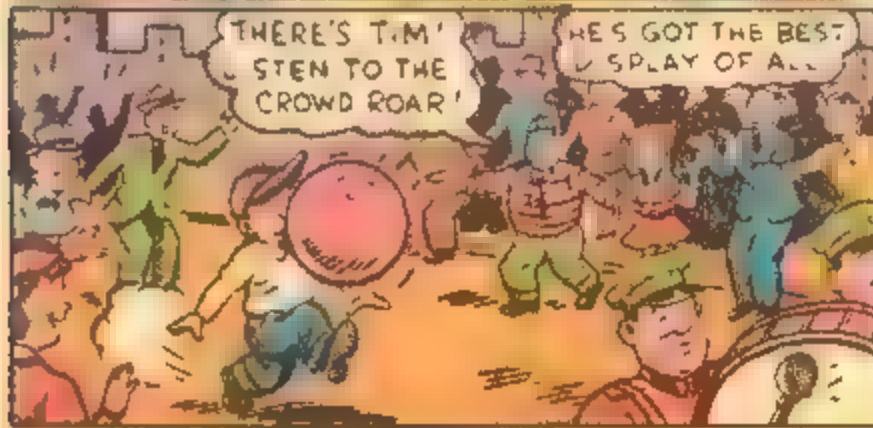
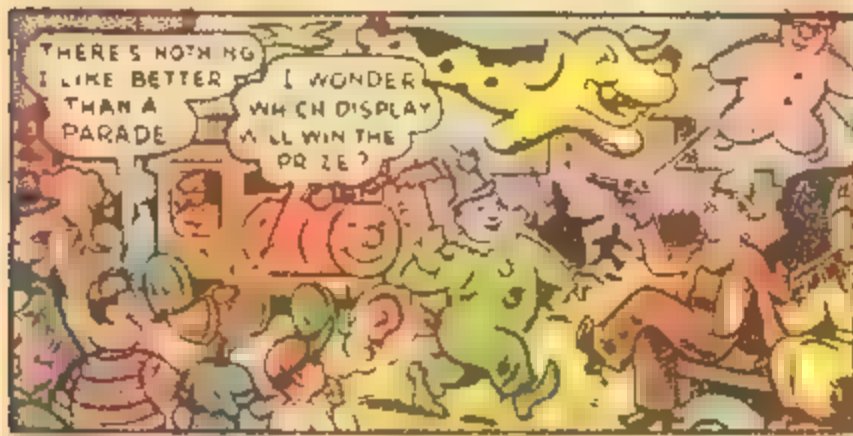


THUS, WHEN ROBIN AND THE POLICE ARRIVE...





## ADVENTURES OF THE DUBBLE BUBBLE KIDS

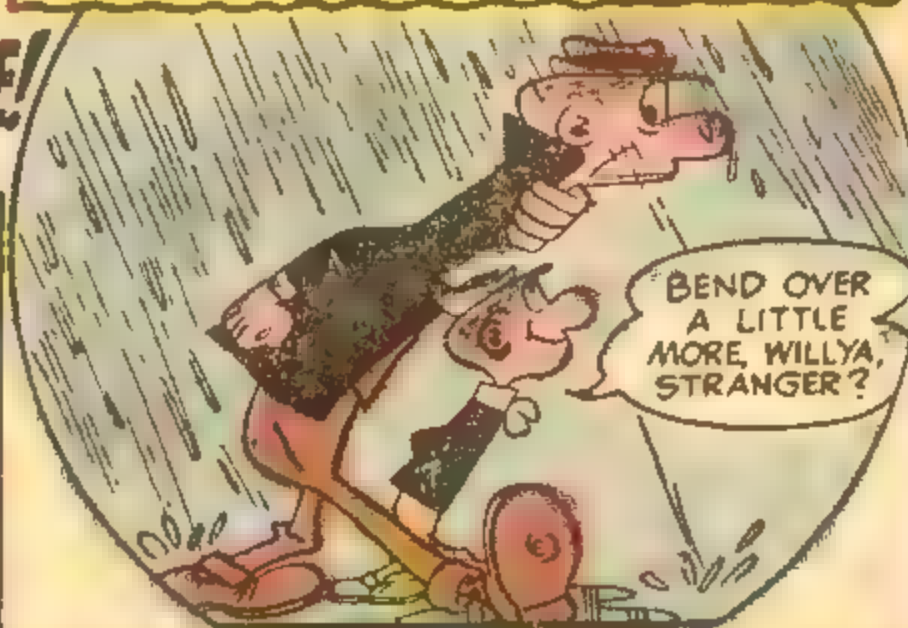


**WATER.  
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EVERYWHERE!**

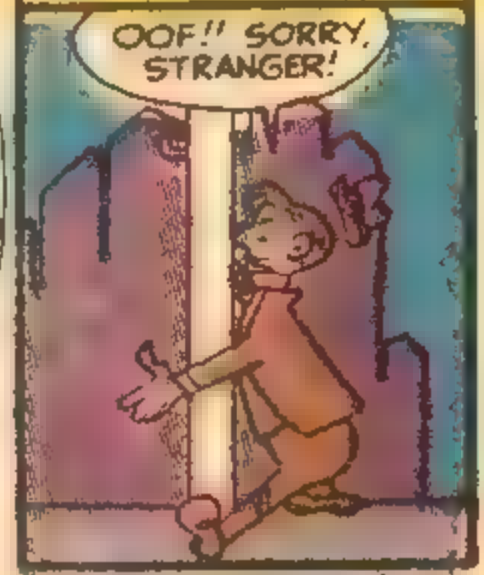
WATER IS 775 TIMES HEAVIER THAN AIR!



A MAN WALKING INTO A SLANTING RAIN GETS LESS WET THAN A MAN WALKING AWAY FROM IT BECAUSE HE LEANS FORWARD INTO IT AND SO PRESENTS LESS BODY SURFACE TO BE HIT BY THE RAINDROPS!



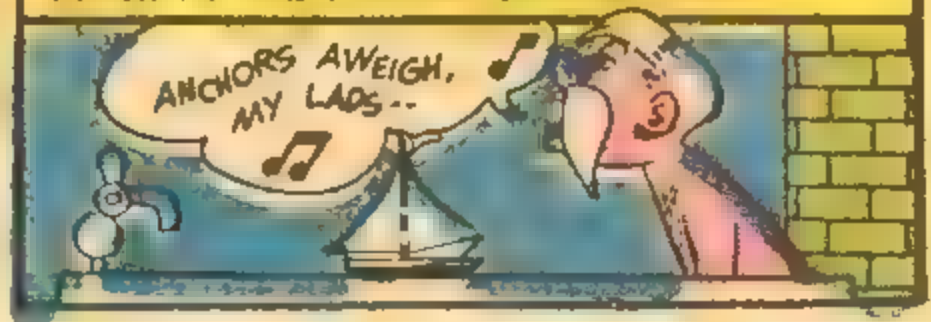
A BLOCK OF VERY DENSE FOG, 50 FEET BY 25 FEET BY 10 FEET, WILL CONTAIN ABOUT ONE GLASSFUL OF WATER OR APPROXIMATELY 420 BILLION DROPLETS!



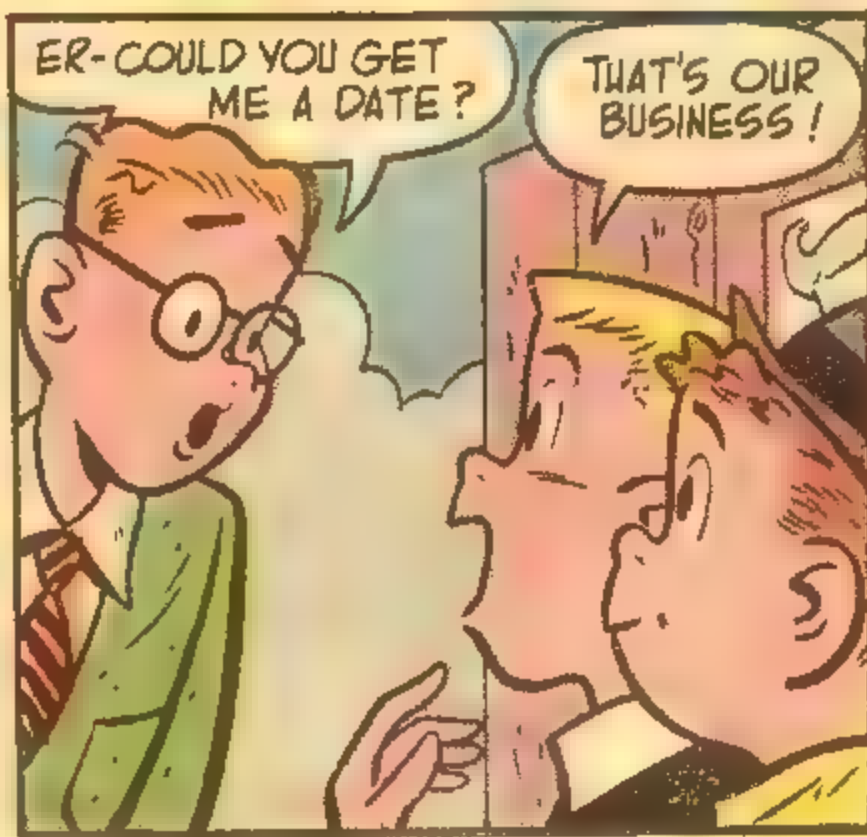
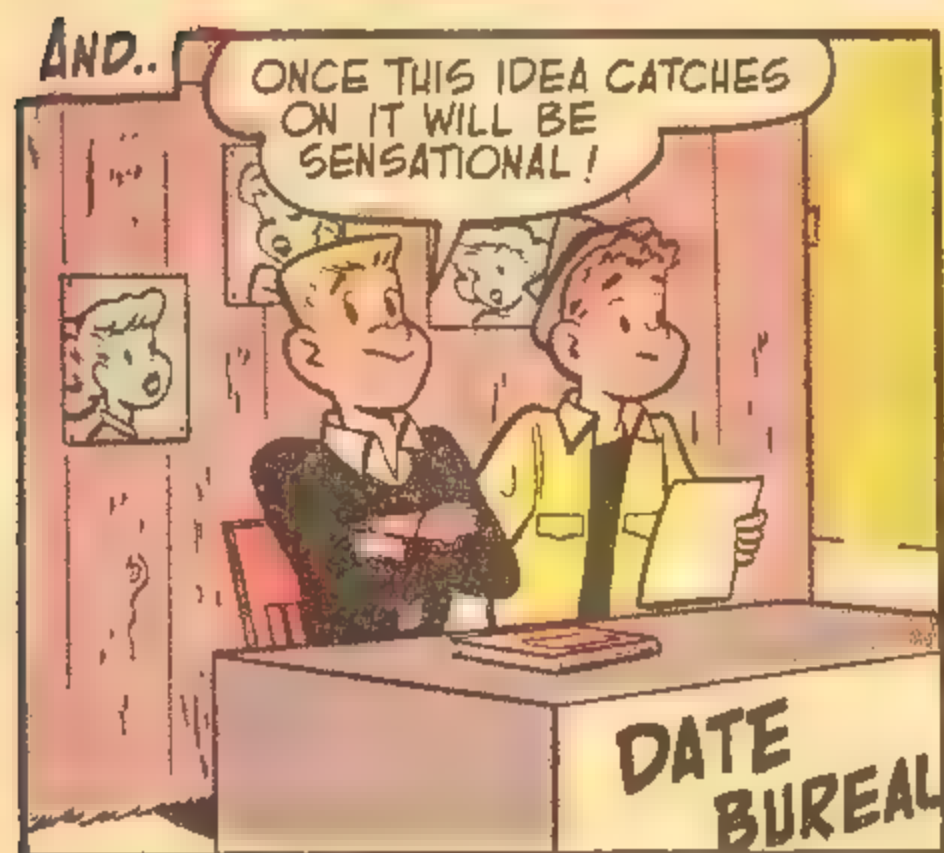
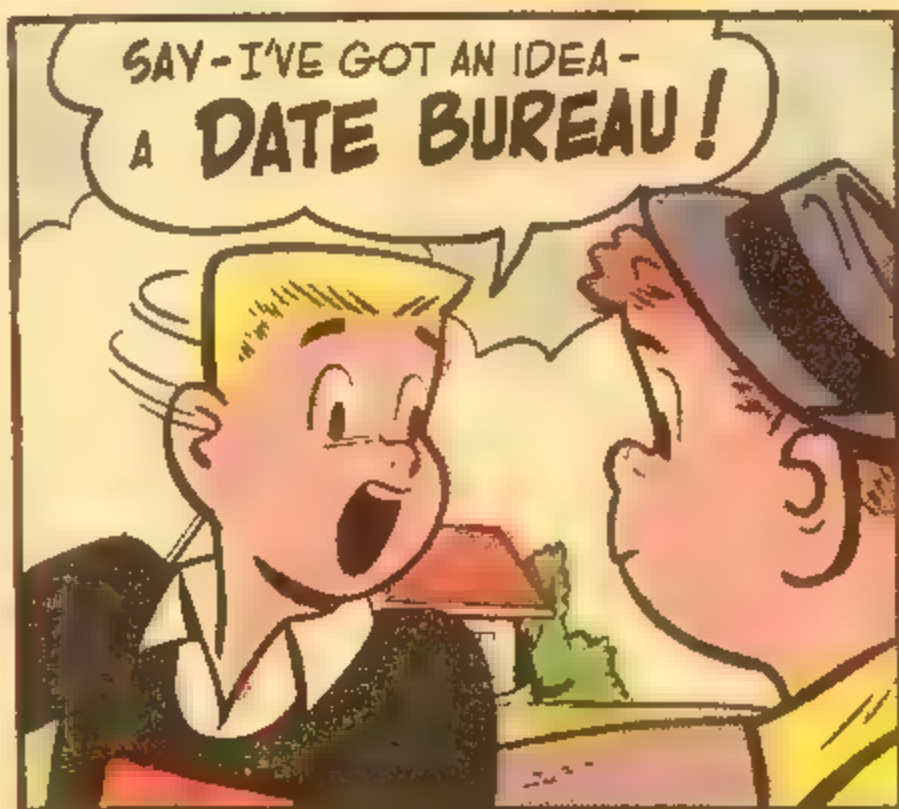
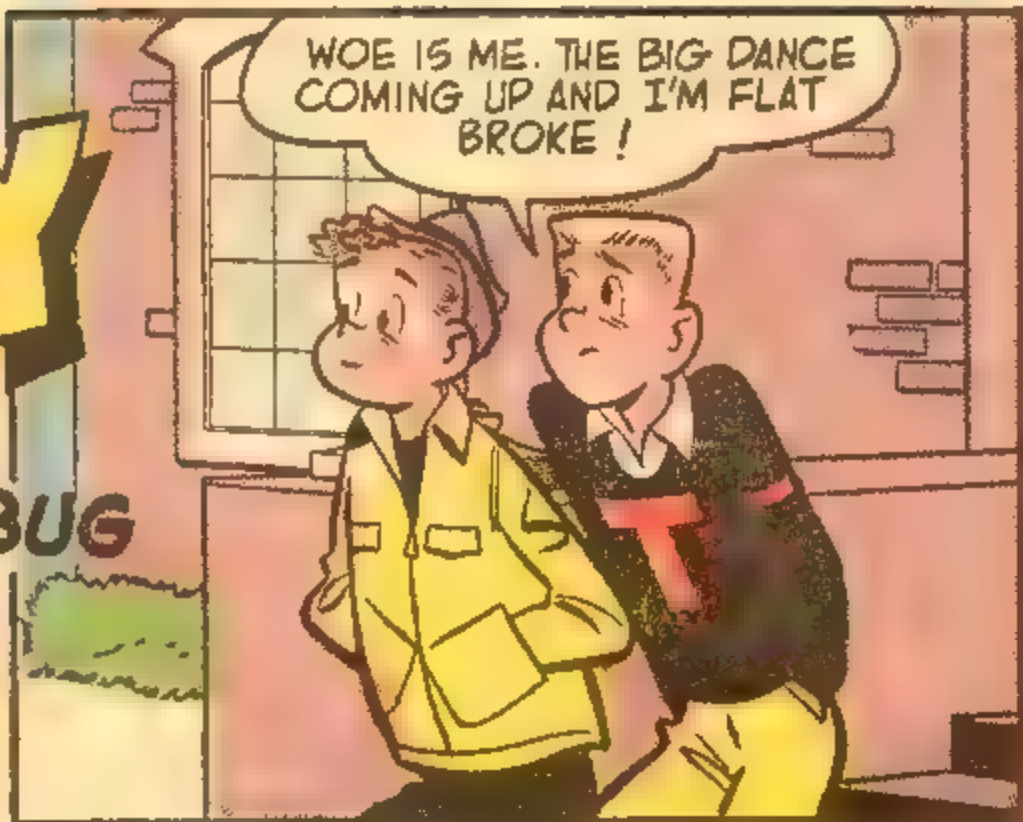
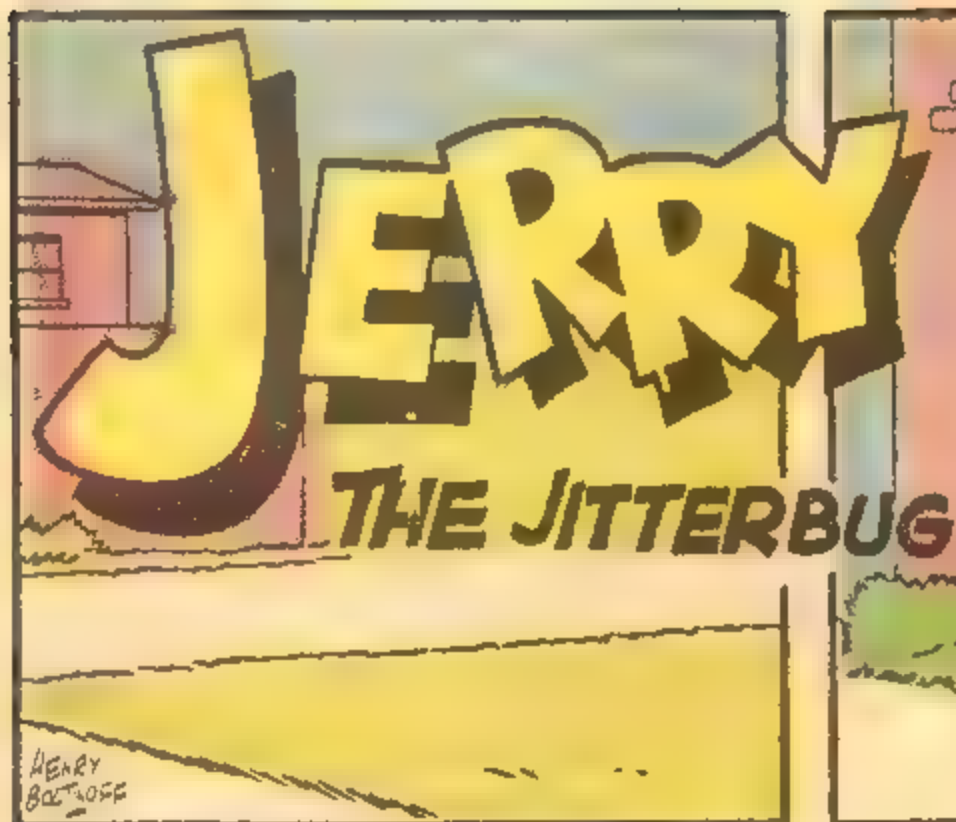
MORE THAN HALF OF EVERY DOLLAR SPENT ON FOOD IS ACTUALLY SPENT ON WATER SINCE MANY FOODS CONTAIN AS MUCH AS 95 PERCENT WATER!



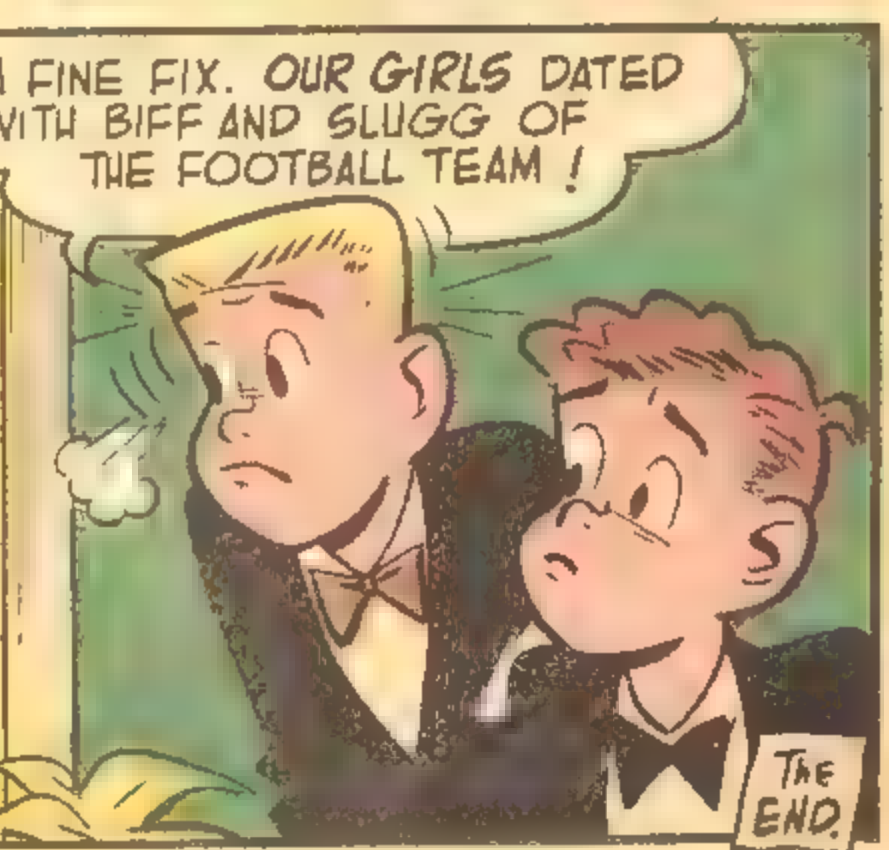
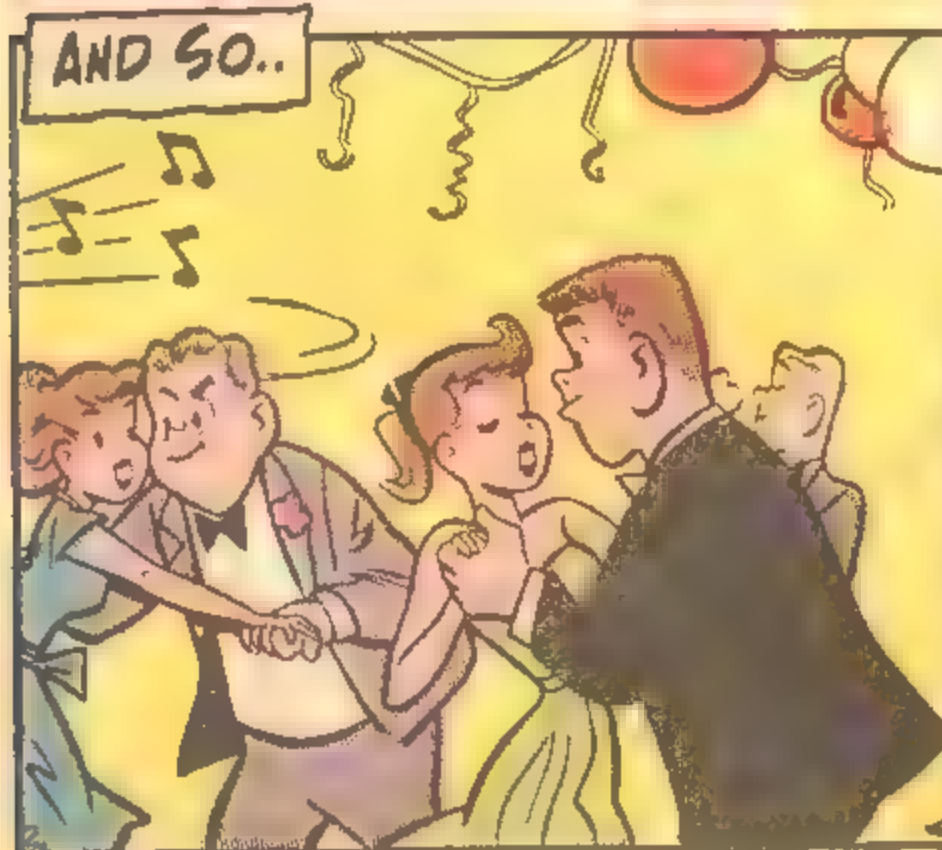
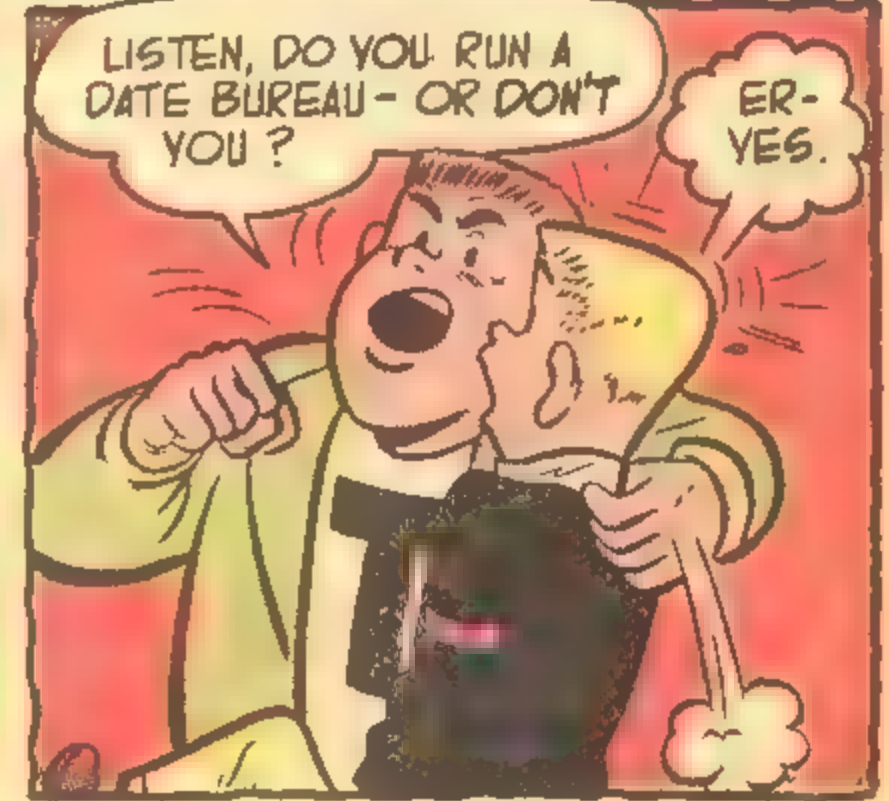
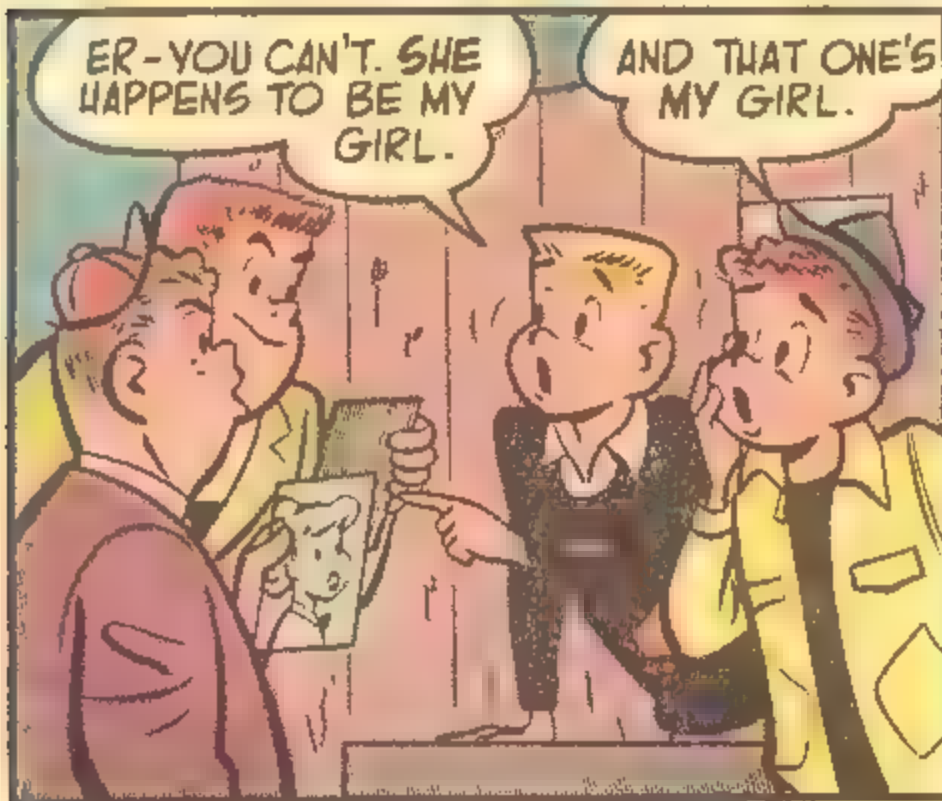
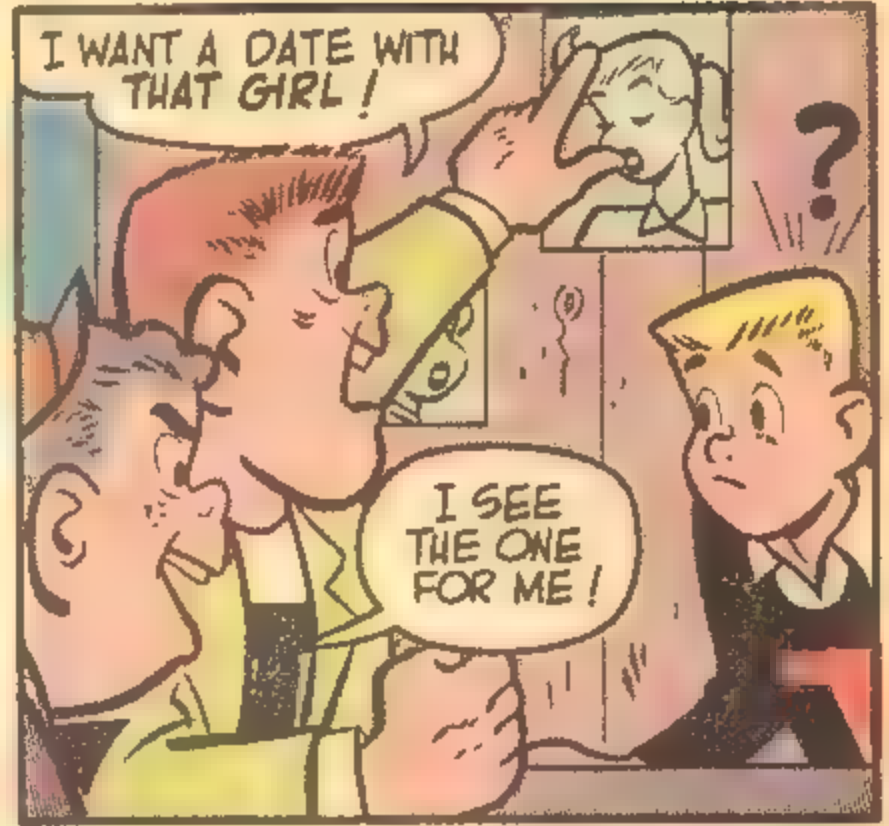
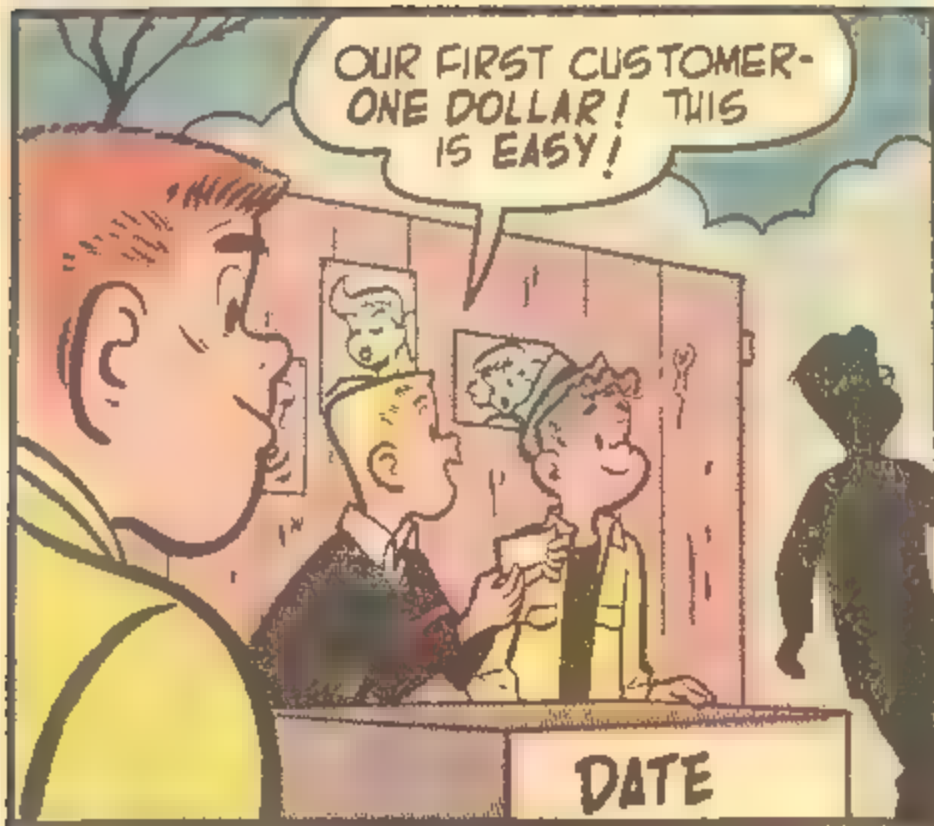
EXTENSIVE SURVEYS HAVE PROVED THAT THE AVERAGE TUB BATH TAKES TWICE AS MUCH WATER AS THE AVERAGE SHOWER BATH!



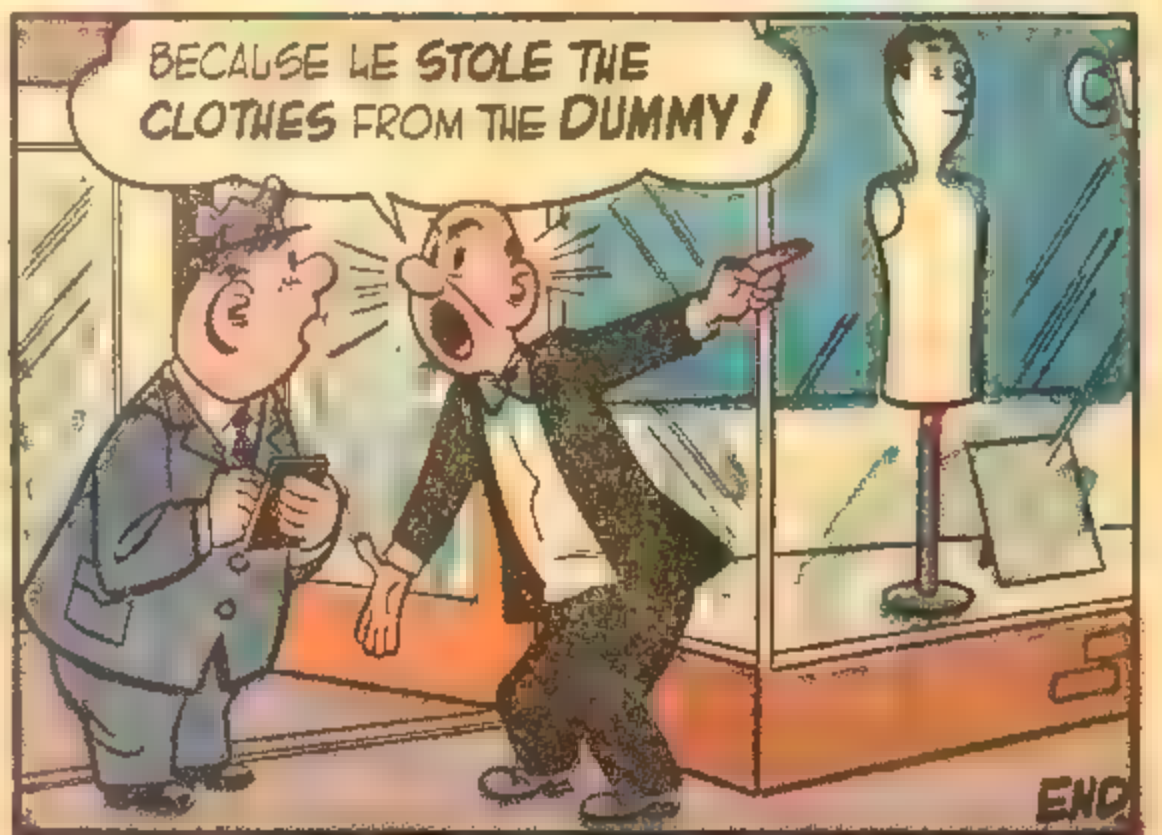
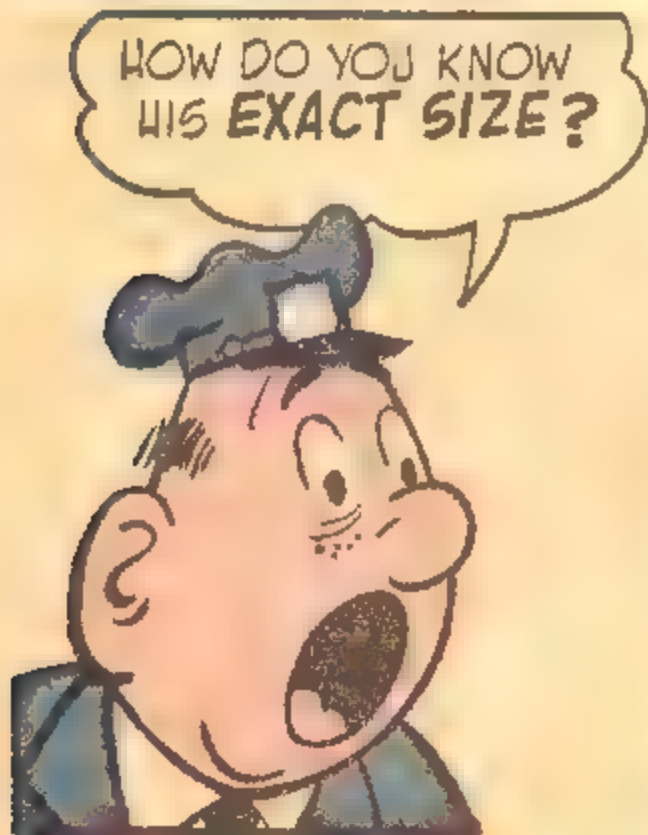
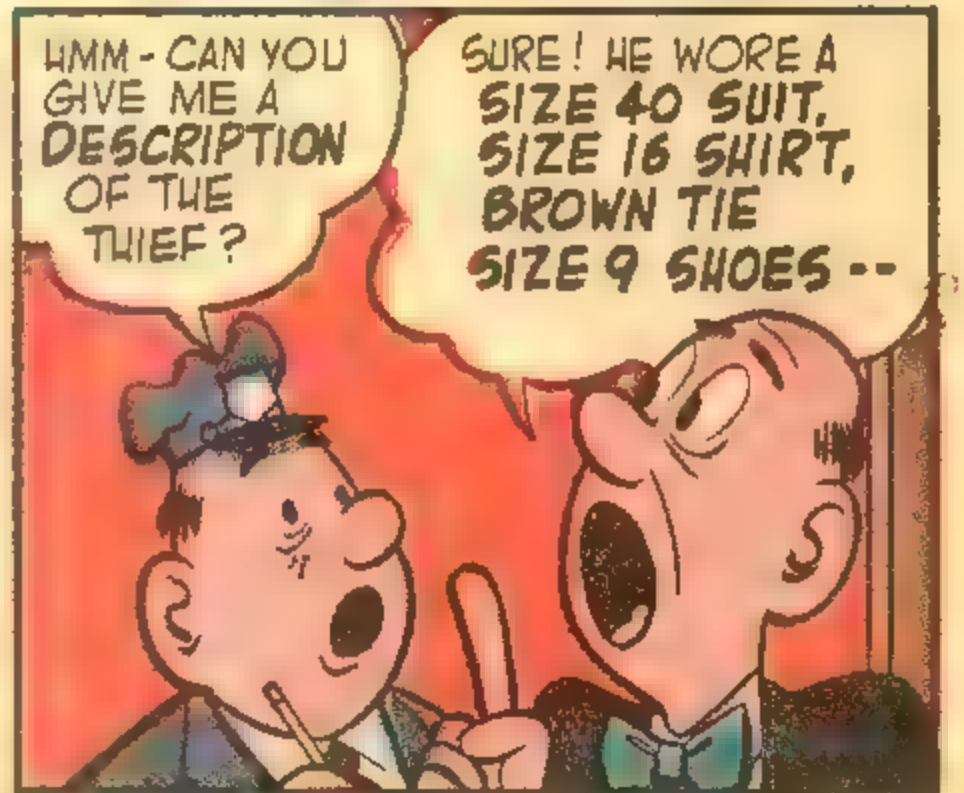
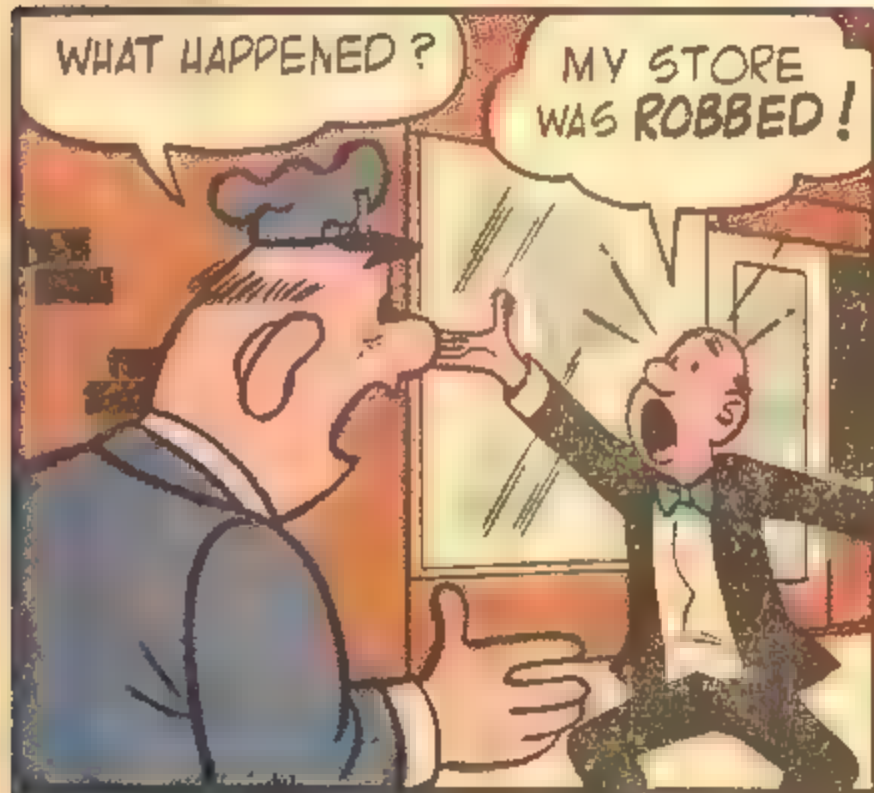
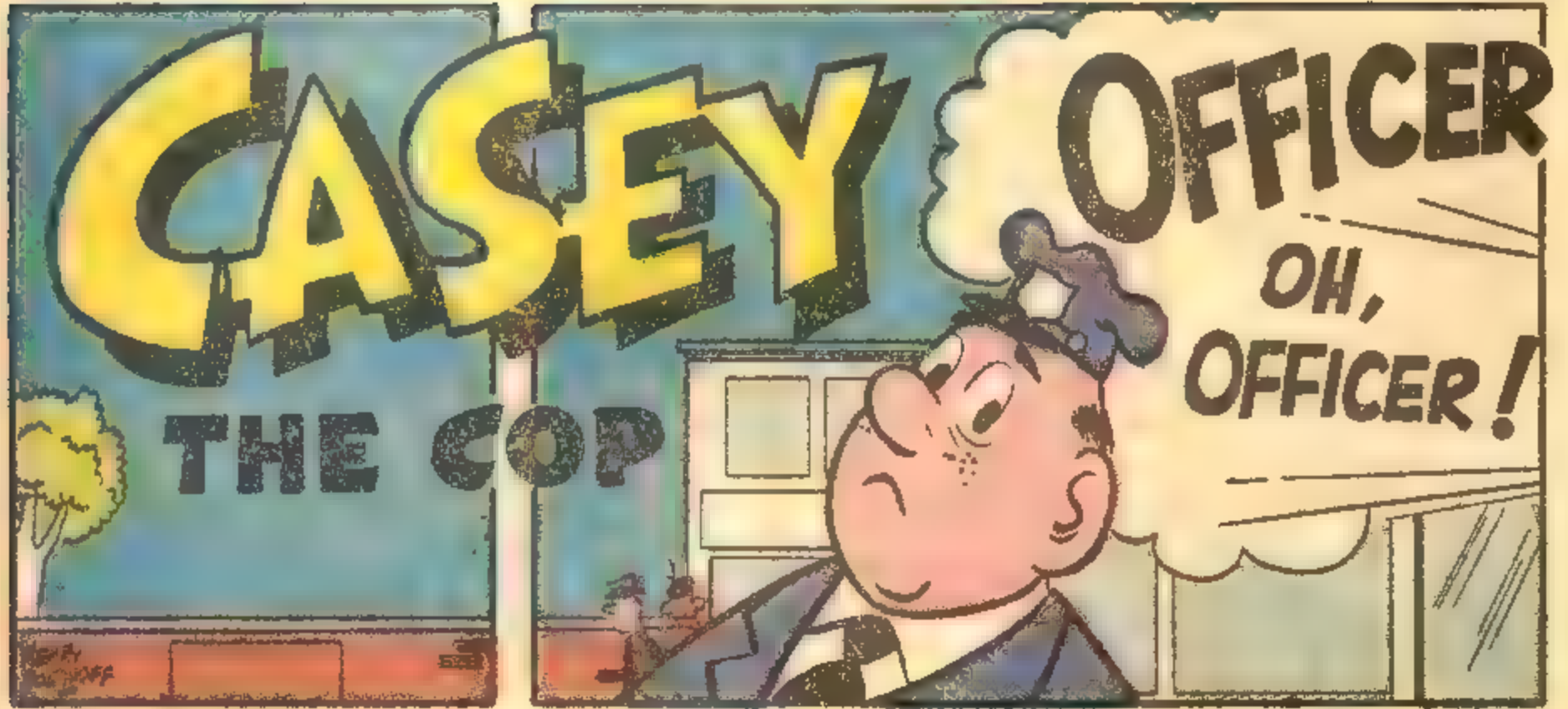














# HOTEL COP



## Soft-Spoken and Well-Dressed, the Newly-Named "Security Officer" Keeps a Vigilant Watch Without Making His Existence Known

**N**OT long ago, a man named Joseph Trask, approaching the door of his room in a plush New York City hotel, in the early hours, heard his phone ringing. He hastily fitted his key into the door, and hastened to pick up the phone. But, by this time, the ringing had stopped, and the operator informed him that his caller had rung off.

Trask dismissed the incident from his mind, and began to undress. But, moments later, he was startled to see the door open, and a man enter. Strangely enough, the man seemed just as surprised to see Trask.

"Who are you? And what are you doing in my room?" demanded Trask.

The stranger quickly recovered his composure. Smiling, he explained:

"I'm from the Security Office of the hotel, sir. One of the guests on this floor complained of smelling smoke, and I'm checking the rooms for a possible fire! Everything seems to be all right in here."

But Trask, a wealthy oil man on a New York vacation, still resented the invasion of his privacy, and grumbled, "That's all very well, but the least you could've done was to knock on the door. I would've let you in."

The Security Office man moved toward the door.

"We didn't think you were in. You see, we called your room first, and got no answer."

That explained the phone ringing just as Trask entered earlier, and the oil man was now satisfied.

But, as the Security Officer started to leave, another man, neatly dressed, and soft-spoken, loomed on the threshold. The newcomer placed a large, strong hand on the shoulder of the Security Officer, and said:

"Okay, mister, the game's up! Come along!"

At this point, Trask, his patience at an end, exploded:

"What in blazes is going on around here, anyway? What did I move into, a convention hall?"

The newcomer ignored Trask for a brief moment, while he snapped a pair of bracelets on the humbled "Security Officer's" wrist, then turned to the guest.

"My name is John Hadley, security officer. This man is a crook, or what we call in the trade, a *Comeback Man*."

Trask spluttered. "I don't understand."

The Security Officer continued. "He occupied this room for a day about a week before you arrived. He checked out, con-



veniently forgetting to return his key. Then, he kept close tabs, by hanging around the desk downstairs in the lobby, as to who engaged this room.

"He may have actually seen you sign the register. He checked your identity, discovered you were an oil man in New York on vacation. He might have figured that you would probably be carrying a large amount of cash on you."

"I certainly have—about \$10,000!" interjected the oil man.

"Exactly," replied the detective, evenly. "Finally, to make sure that you were out, he called your room. When he received no answer, he came up here, and opened the door with the key he had previously 'forgotten' to return."

The oil man whistled. "Pretty cool stunt," he said. "And he's a pretty quick thinker, too," he added, "thinking up that yarn he gave me about being a security officer checking on smoke."

The detective was unimpressed, however. "The stunt isn't as cool, as you call it, as you think. As a matter of fact, it's one of the oldest dodges in the trade. As for his yarn about being a security officer when he's surprised, it's also been done a million times."

But Trask had one more question for the hotel detective. "Before you go, I wonder if you'd mind telling me—how'd you get wise to him? After all, there are thousands of guests in this hotel. How'd you know *he* was a crook when he took the elevator up to my floor?"

The legitimate Security Officer smiled. "Easy. In fact, I'd say it was *automatic*. You see, we keep a look-out for guests who have walked off with their keys. Although most of the time, it happens accidentally and innocently, just the same we take no chances.

"But what's more important, the phone operator notifies the Security Office every-time a phone rings in a room, and isn't answered."

Trask uttered an appreciative laugh, and turned to the glum culprit.

"You didn't have a chance!" he exclaimed.

The above incident, which really happened, illustrates the new type of detective that has appeared on the scene in hotel lobbies and corridors during the past decade. Gone are the days of the cigar-smoking, derby-wearing house detective, who was wont to prop one elbow on the registration desk and leer accusingly at every person checking in.

The present-day Security Officer, as the hotel detective is now known, is typically a well-dressed, soft-spoken man, who might be mistaken for the hotel manager, or the occupant of one of the better rooms in the hotel.

What's more, he is usually an excellent detective. Thinking back, you may not recall even having seen the house detective last time you stayed at a hotel. But you can be sure that *he* saw *you*! And you can also be sure that you were given a careful scrutiny.

Every article of clothing you wore was given a once-over, as well as the bag you placed at your side on the carpet. Even the tone and timbre of your voice went into the rapid-fire estimate the detective made of your intentions as a prospective hotel guest.

This scrutiny, of course, was strictly for the security of decent, respectable people. It's quite a job to police the average 2000-room hotel, especially when its police force has to operate in such a manner that the hotel guests aren't even aware of their existence.





BATMAN

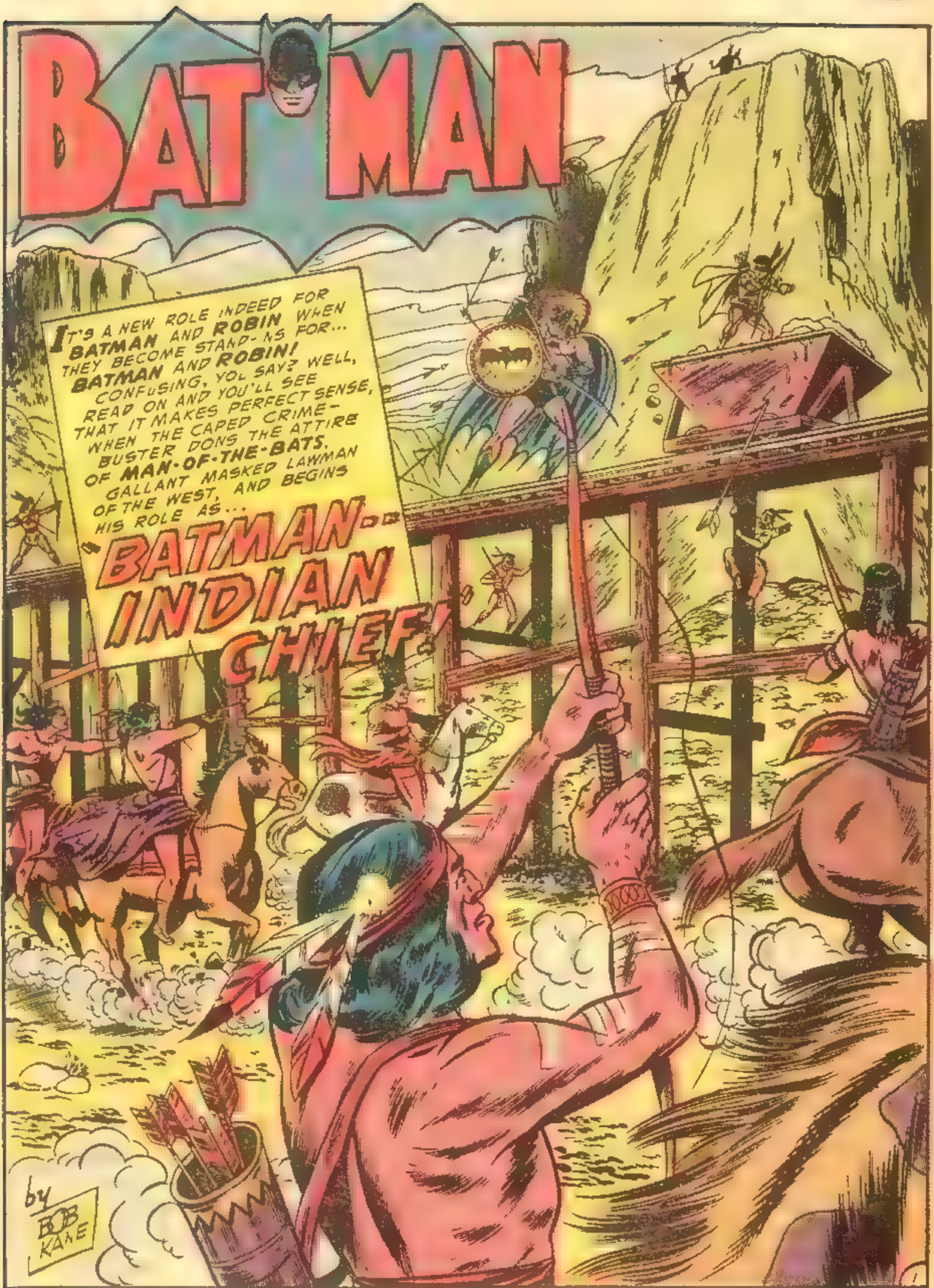


# BATMAN

IT'S A NEW ROLE INDEED FOR  
BATMAN AND ROBIN WHEN  
THEY BECOME STAND-INS FOR...  
BATMAN AND ROBIN!  
CONFUSING, YOU SAY? WELL,  
READ ON AND YOU'LL SEE  
THAT IT MAKES PERFECT SENSE—  
WHEN THE CAPED CRIME-  
BUSTER DONS THE ATTIRE  
OF MAN-OF-THE-BATS,  
GALLANT MASKED LAWMAN  
OF THE WEST, AND BEGINS  
HIS ROLE AS...

## BATMAN- INDIAN CHIEF!

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# BATMAN



ONE NIGHT, AS THE FAMED **BAT-PLANE** SOARS OVER MOUNTAINOUS TERRAIN, FAR FROM **GOTHAM CITY**...

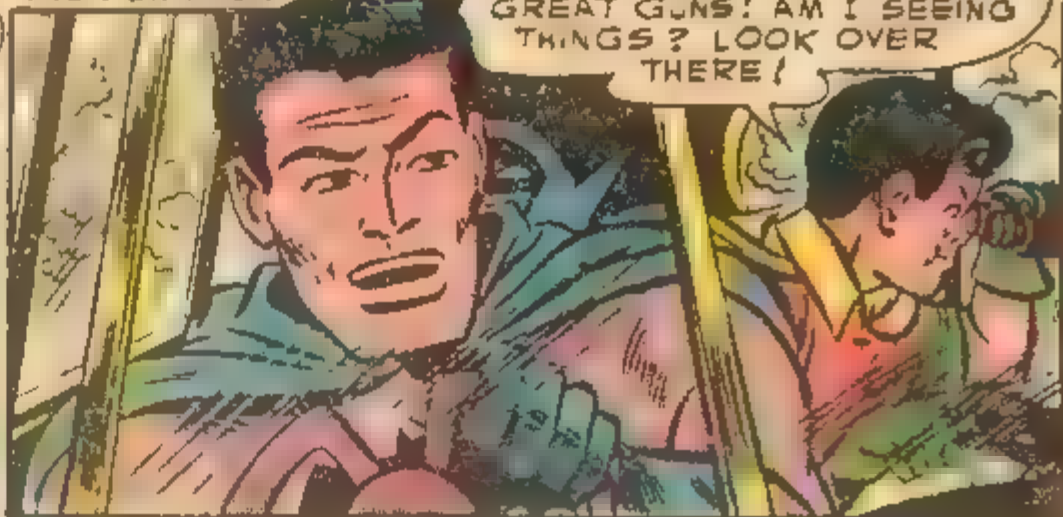
IN ABOUT TEN HOURS, WE'LL BE BACK HOME! I CAN'T SAY I WON'T BE GLAD!

SAME HERE! THESE D' STANT MISSIONS MAKE ME HOMESICK!



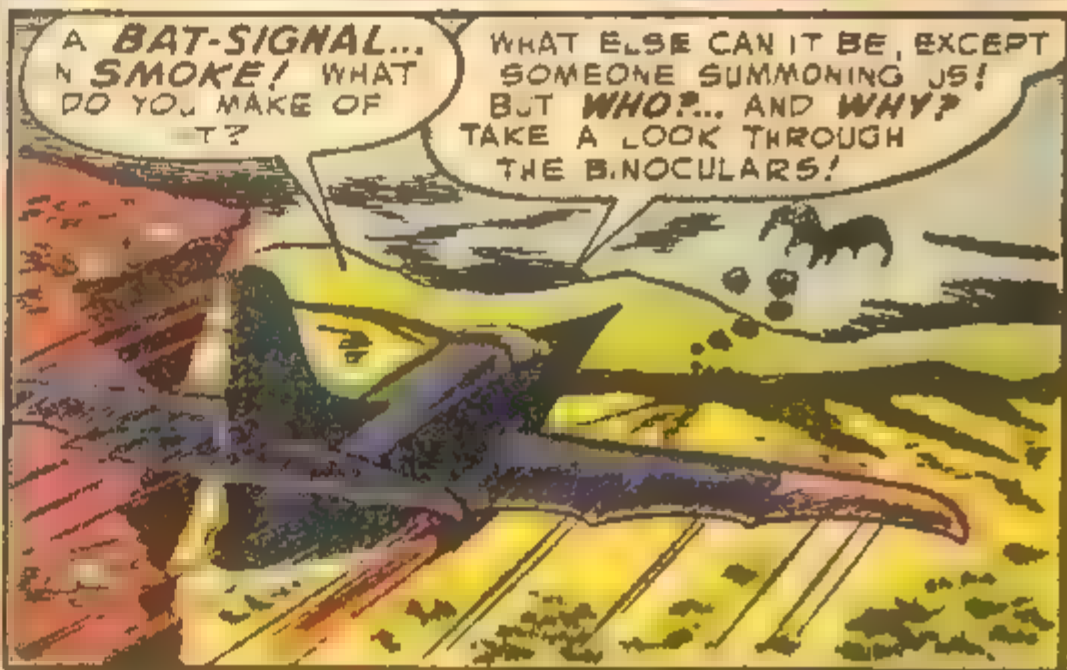
INSIDE ARE **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** WITH THEIR MASKS FLUNG BACK, REVEALING THE FACES OF **BRUCE WAYNE** AND **DICK GRAYSON**.

GREAT GUNS! AM I SEEING THINGS? LOOK OVER THERE!



A **BAT-SIGNAL**... IN **SMOKE**! WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF THAT?

WHAT ELSE CAN IT BE, EXCEPT SOMEONE SUMMONING US! BUT **WHO?**... AND **WHY?** TAKE A LOOK THROUGH THE BINOCULARS!



THIS GETS MORE INCREDIBLE BY THE MINUTE! THERE'S A BOY DOWN THERE WHO LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE **ME**!



STUNNED BY THESE SURPRISING EVENTS, THE CAPED CRIME-FIGHTERS HURLEDY LAND THE **BAT-PLANE** IN A SHELTERED CLEARING, AND

A **BAT-SIGNAL** IN THE FORM OF **SMOKE**-- A BOY WHO LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE YOU, **ROBIN**.. THIS CALLS FOR AN IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION! COME ON!



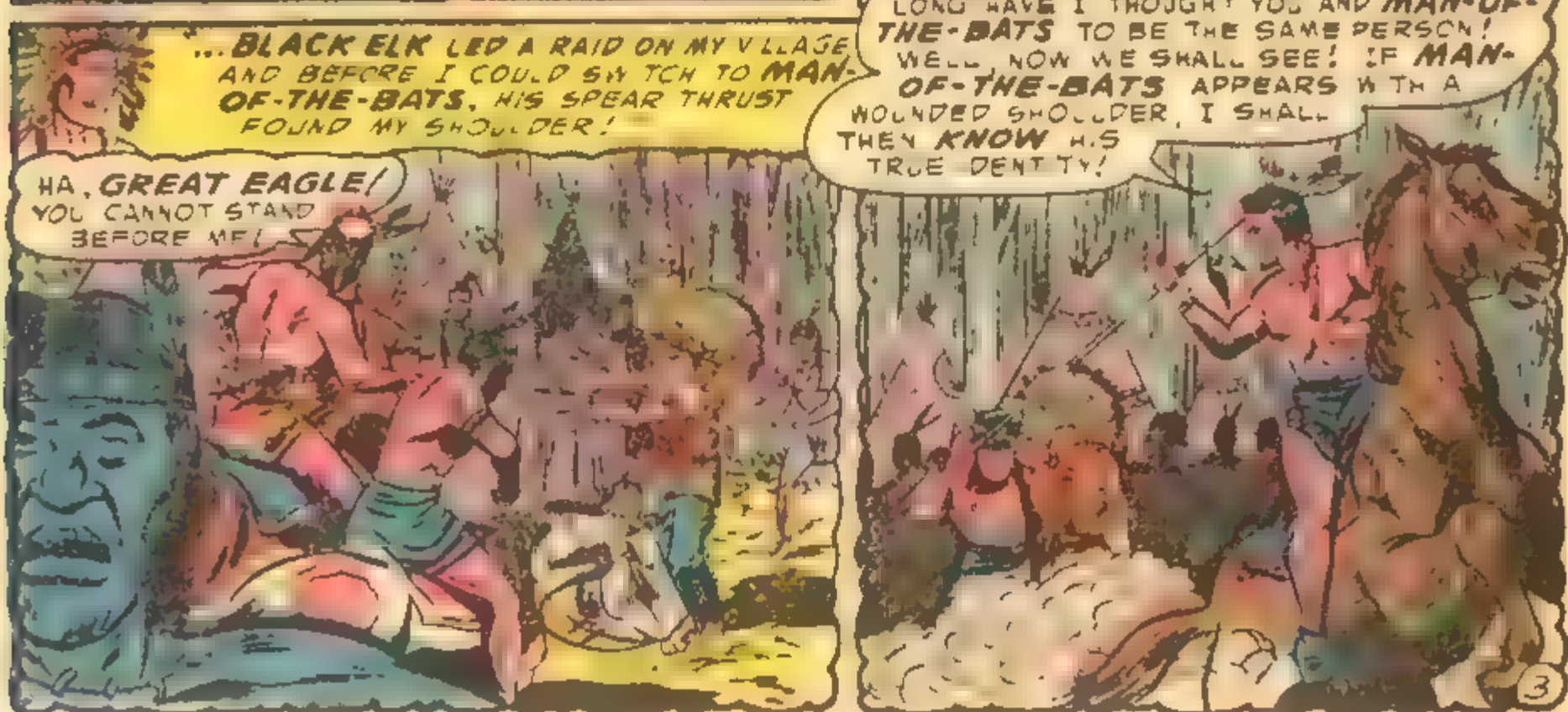
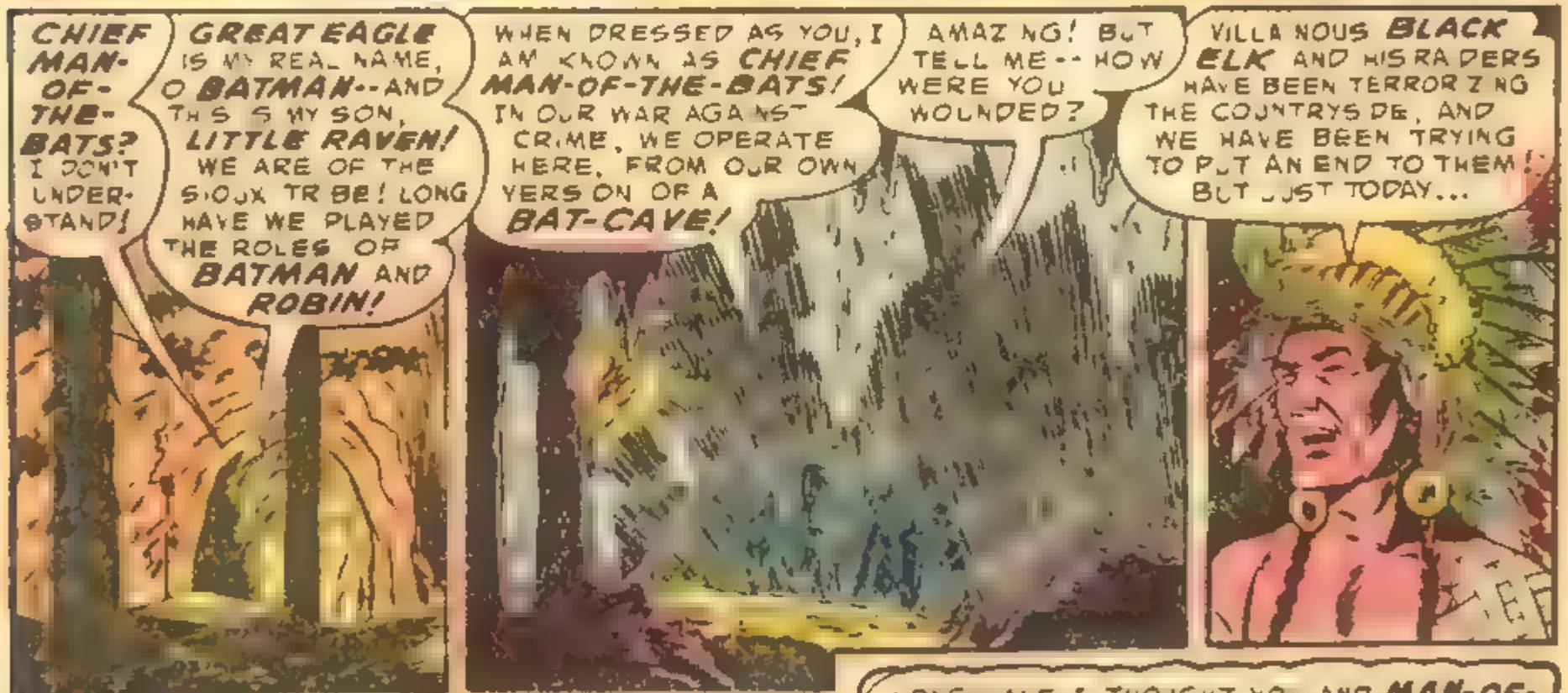
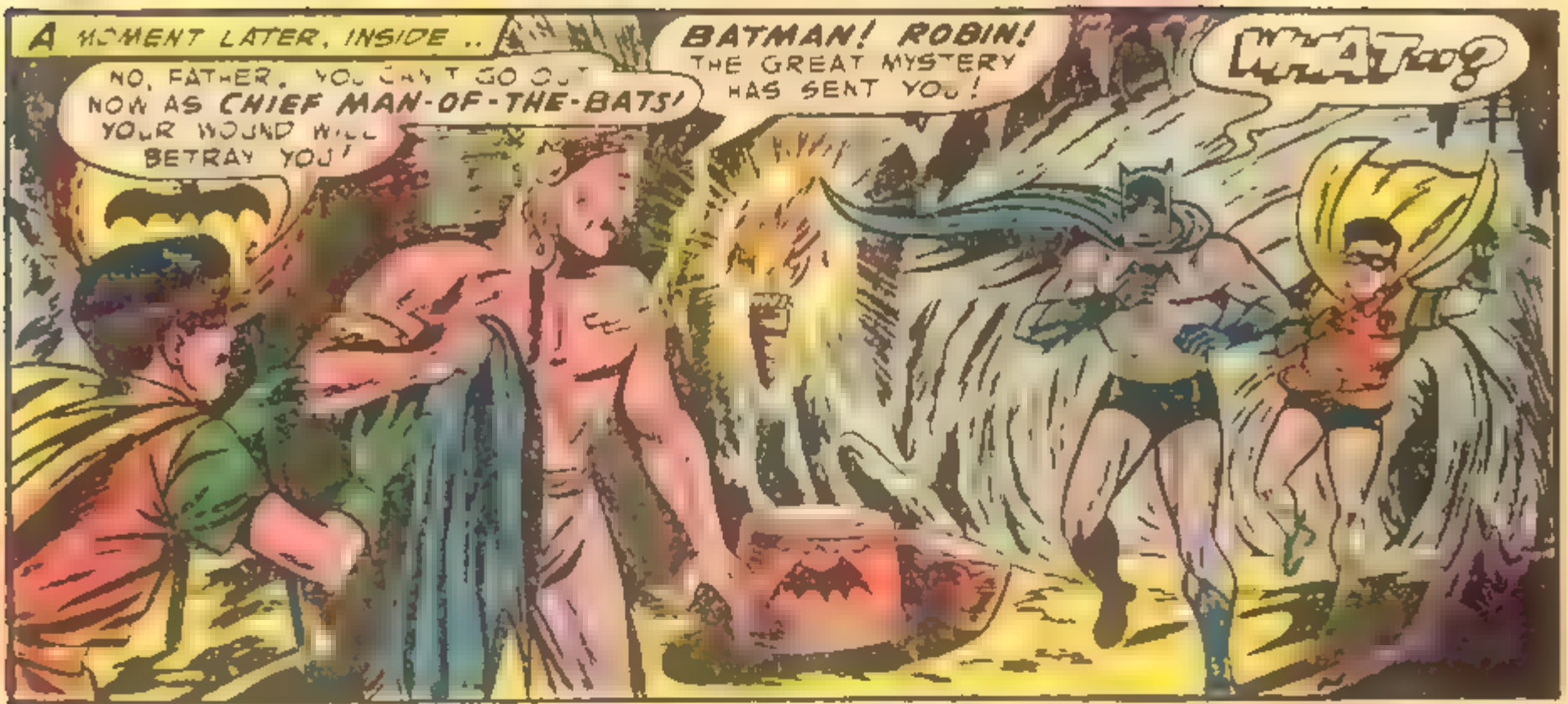
AND DEEP IN THE WOODS, STILL ANOTHER SURPRISE... A CANOE BEARING A **BAT-SYMBOL**, AND A CAVERN NOT UNLIKE THEIR OWN **BAT-CAVE**!

BUT WHAT CAN THIS MEAN?

LISTEN... VOICES INSIDE THE CAVE! LET'S HAVE A LOOK!

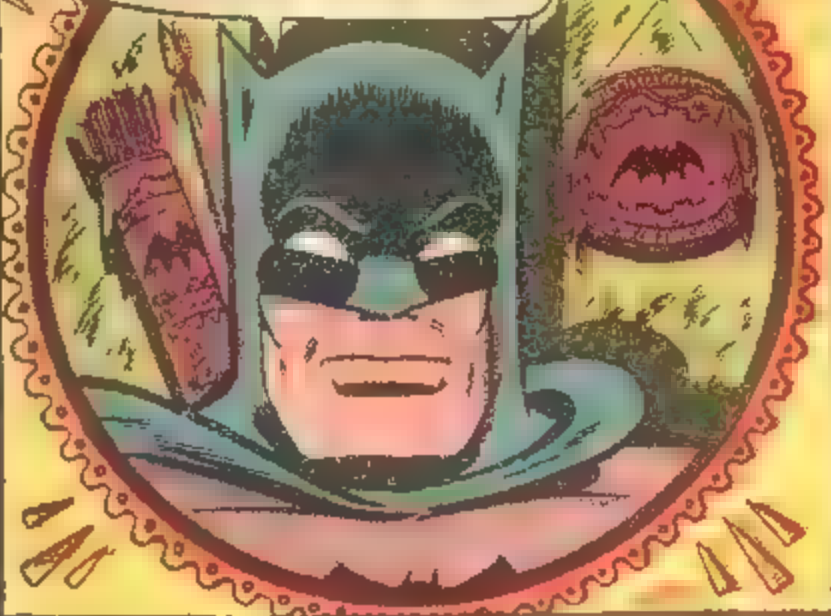








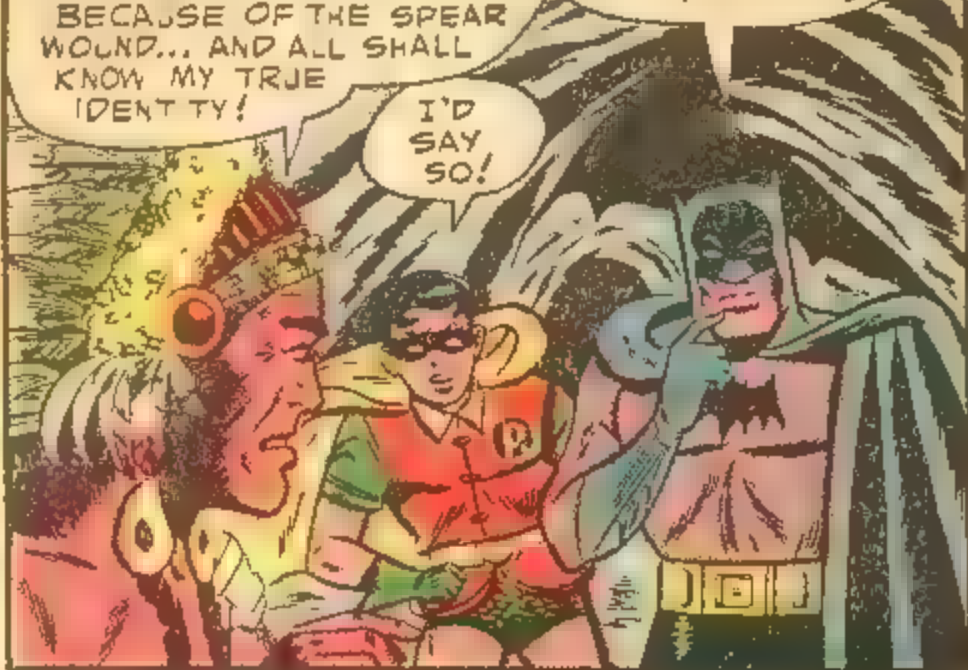
HMM... WE'VE RUN INTO SIMILAR PROBLEMS, TRYING TO PROTECT **OUR** REAL IDENTITIES! BUT **LITTLE RAVEN** IS RIGHT... YOU CAN'T APPEAR AS **MAN-OF-THE-BATS** WITH THAT WOUNDED SHOULDER!



THEN WHAT CAN BE DONE? IF HE **DOESN'T** APPEAR, ALL SHALL KNOW IT IS BECAUSE OF THE SPEAR WOUND... AND ALL SHALL KNOW MY TRUE IDENTITY!

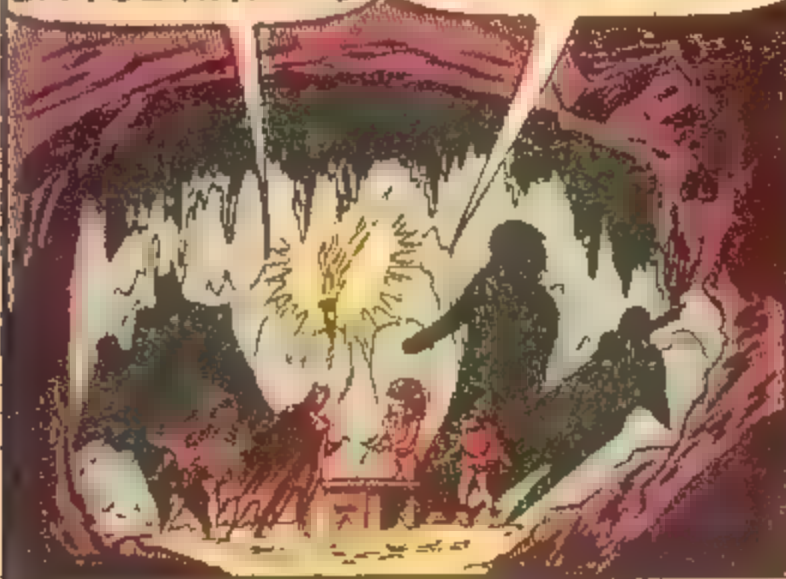
ARE YOU THINKING THE SAME THING I AM, **ROBIN**?

I'D SAY SO!



**GREAT EAGLE**, SUPPOSING **ROBIN** AND I PLAYED THE ROLES OF **CHIEF MAN-OF-THE-BATS** AND **LITTLE RAVEN**?

THAT WOULD NDEEP SAVE THE SITUATION! HERE... WE MUST GET YOU INTO MY COSTUME--AND ACQUANT YOU WITH MY UTILITY BELT!



THE BELT CONTAINS DYES--WHCH YOU CAN APPLY TO YOUR SKINS!

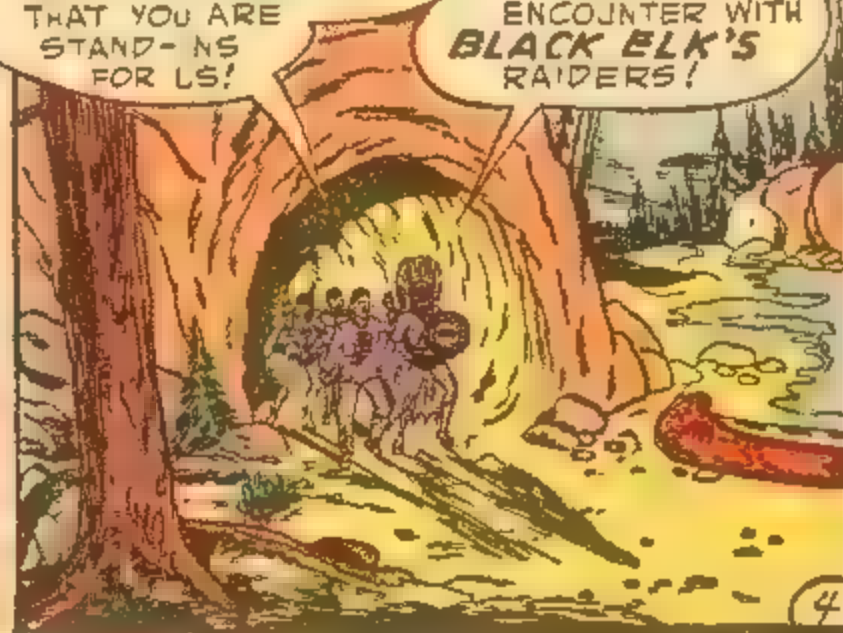
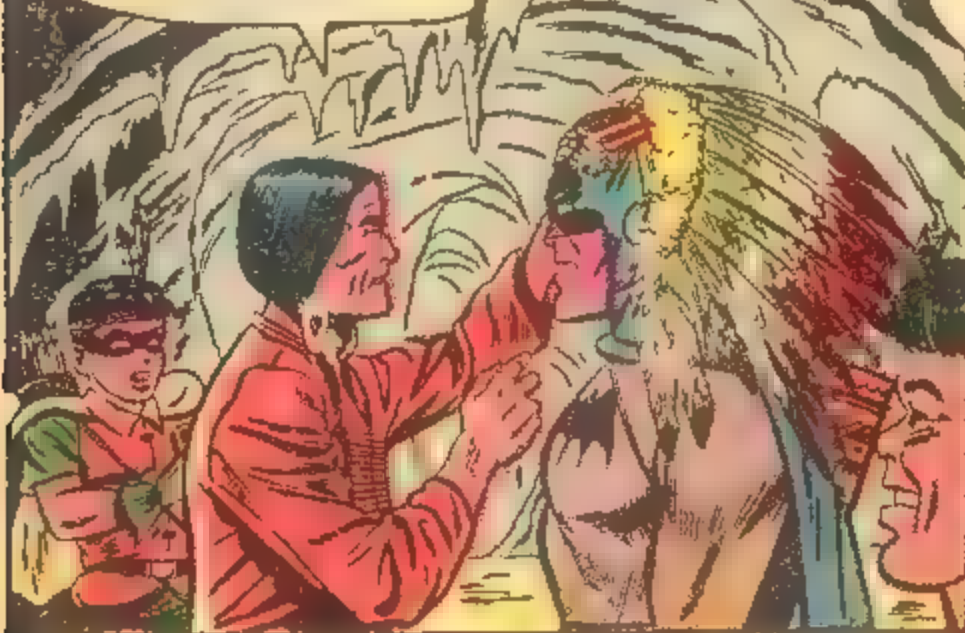


THUS, WITHIN A FEW SHORT MINUTES...

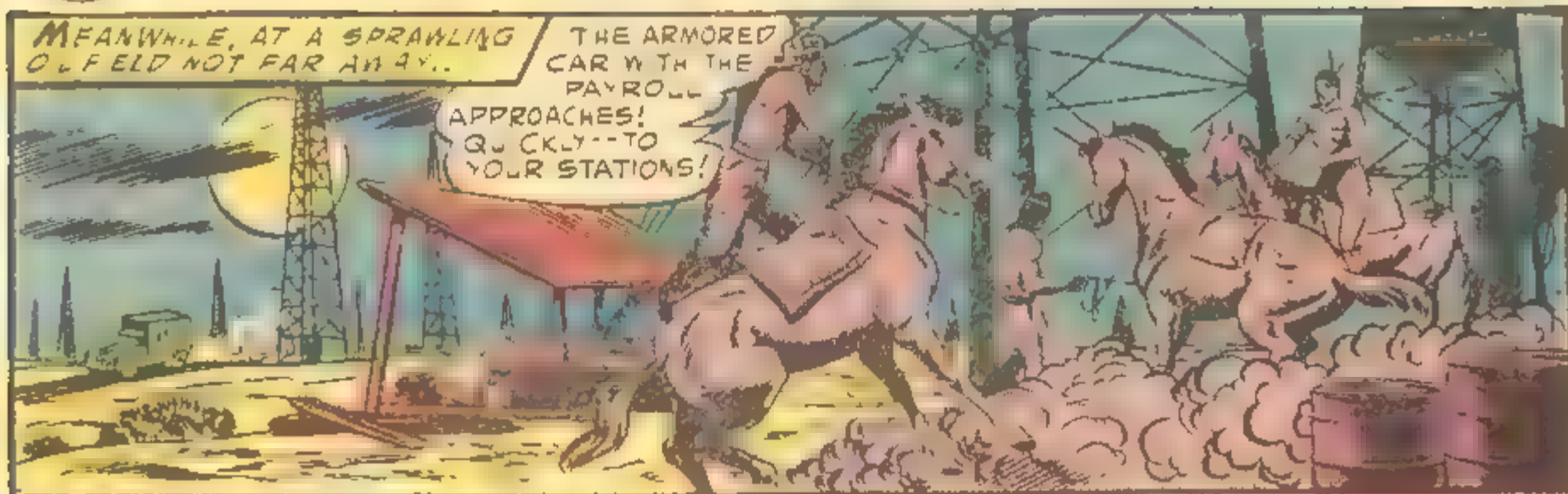
THERE! THE DISGUISE IS COMPLETE! NONE COULD GUESS YOU ARE NOT ME! BUT YOU MUST TAKE ONE PRECAUTION...

YOU MUST PERFORM **ONLY** IN INDIAN FASHION! IF NOT, PEOPLE WILL GUESS IMMEDIATELY THAT YOU ARE STAND-INS FOR US!

WELL, OUR JOB'S CUT OUT FOR US! LET'S HEAD FOR OUR FIRST ENCOUNTER WITH **BLACK ELK'S RAIDERS**!







MEANWHILE, AT A SPRAWLING OIL FIELD NOT FAR AWAY...

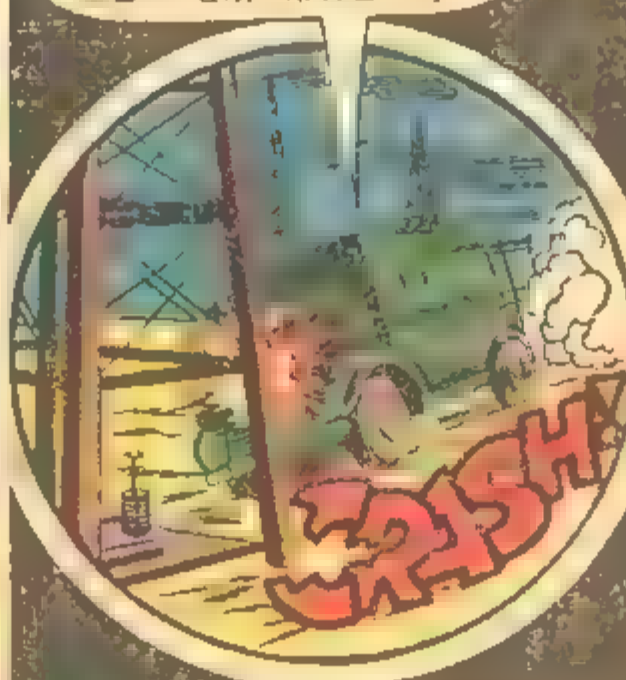
THE ARMORED CAR WITH THE PAYROLL APPROACHES! QUICKLY--TO YOUR STATIONS!

A BOW TWANGS, THEN ANOTHER--AND ANOTHER...



SWERVING, THE CAR SMASHES INTO THE BASE OF THE DERRICK

THEY'LL NEVER CRACK THROUGH OUR ARMOR! LET 'EM HAVE IT!



BUT BEFORE THE GUARDS CAN OPEN FIRE, FLAMING SHAFTS STREAK THROUGH THE GUN SLOTS... YOW! ARROWS SATURATED WITH KEROSENE! THEY'RE SETTING THE CAR ON FIRE!

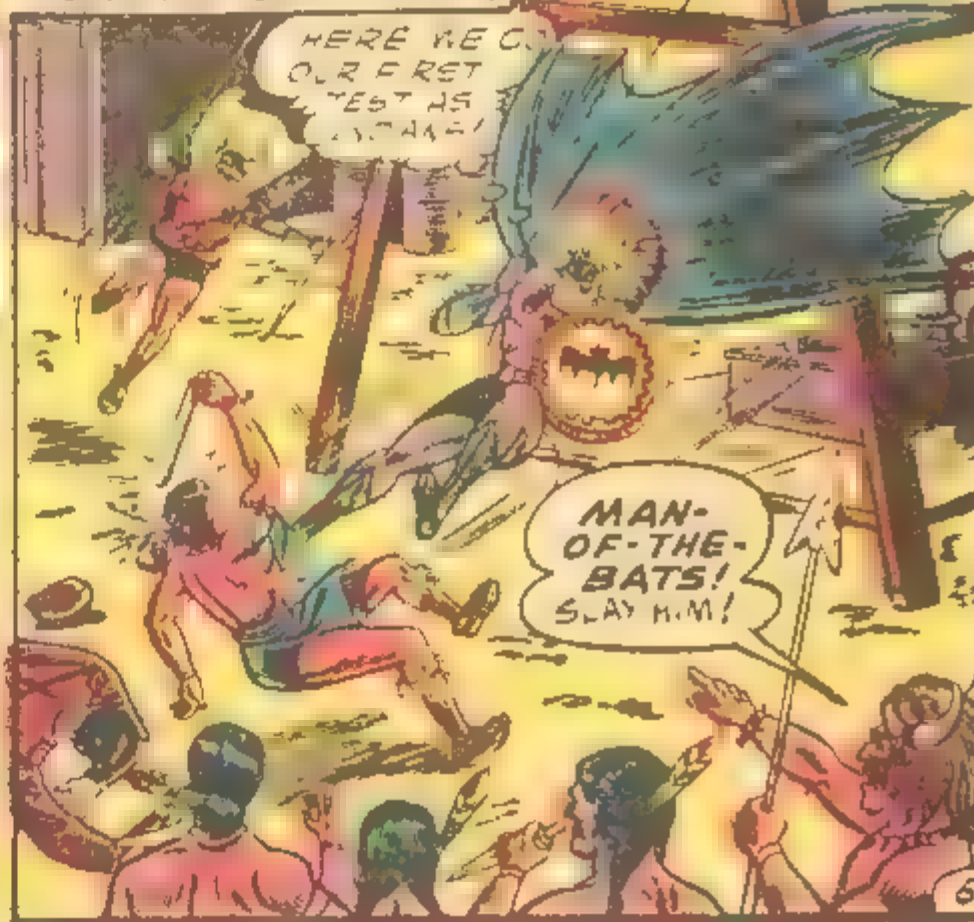


RUSHING OUT FRANTICALLY, THE GUARDS ARE QUICKLY SUBDUED...

NOW--THE PAYROLL! MAKE WASTE--BEFORE THE FLAMES CONSUME IT!



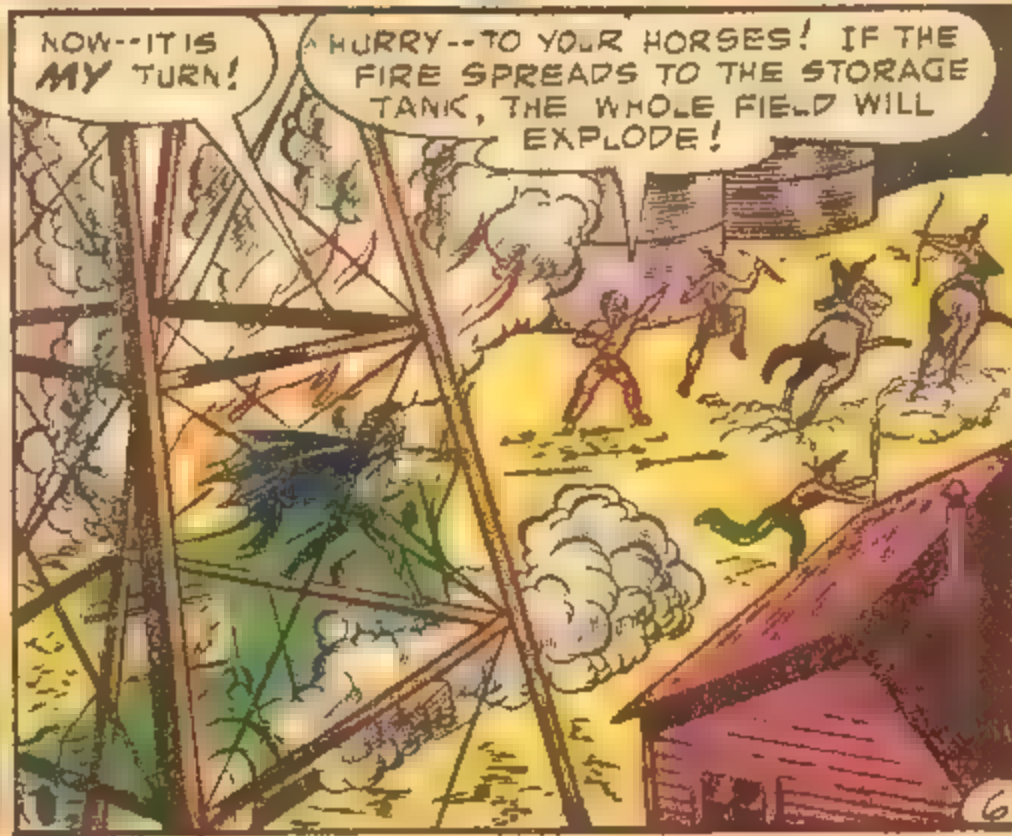
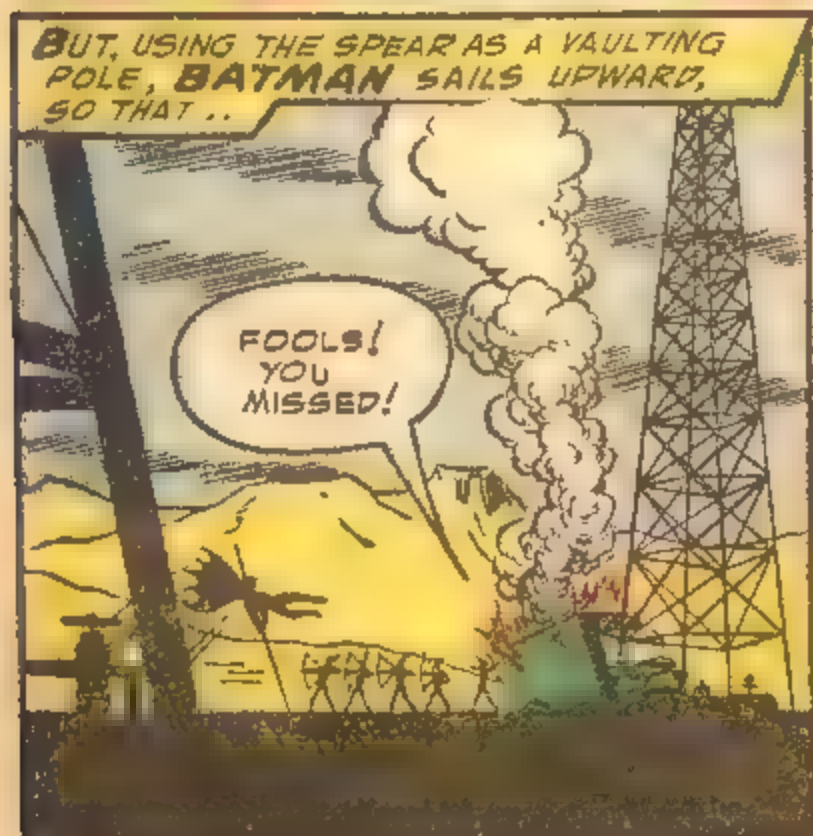
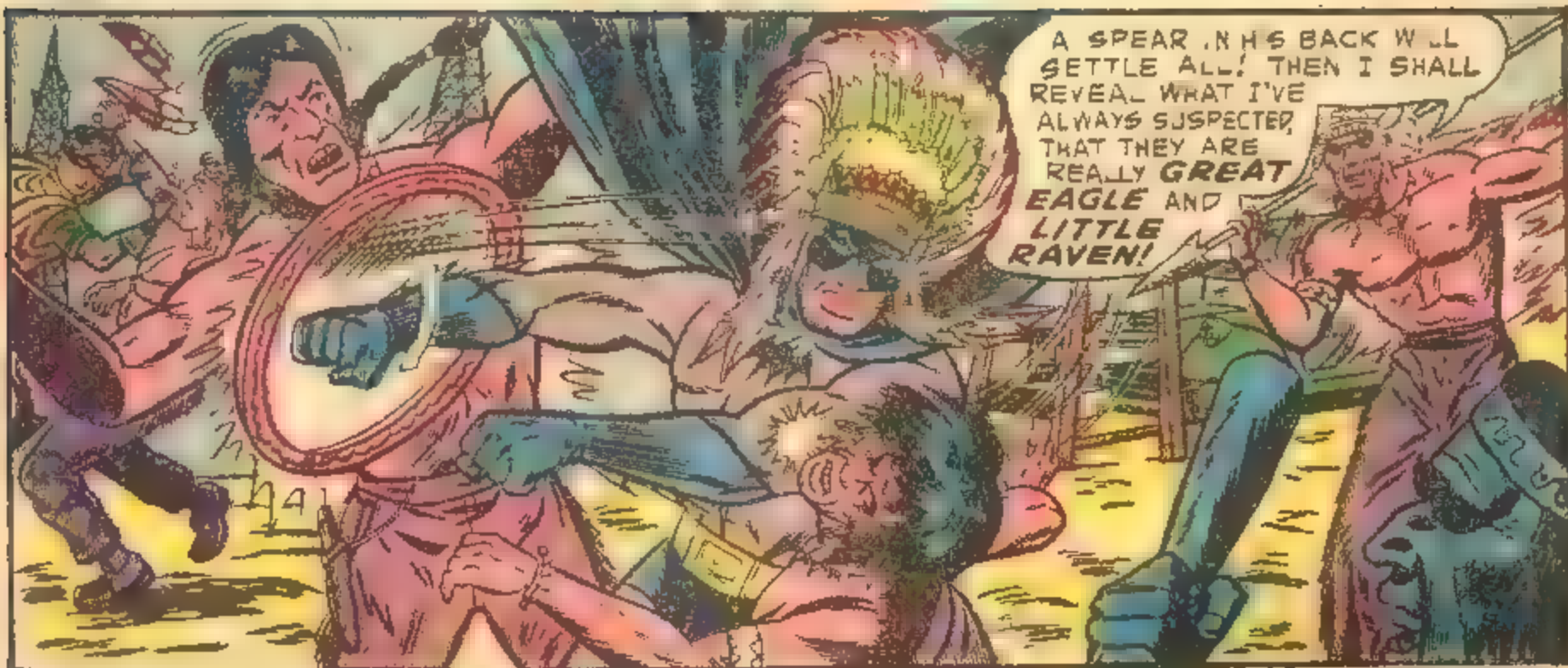
BUT AT THAT MOMENT, ATTRACTED BY THE BLAZE BELOW, TWO FIGURES SAUCER FROM ONE OF THE TOWERING DERRICKS...



HERE WE GO! OUR FIRST TEST AS BATMAN!

MAN-OF-THE-BATS! SLAY HIM!









# BATMAN



AND AS THE RAIDERS GALLOP OFF... THEY'RE GETTING AWAY-- BUT PUTTING THAT FIRE OUT IS MORE IMPORTANT RIGHT NOW! IF THE FLAMES EVER REACH THE STORAGE TANKS-- AS **BLACK ELK** SAID-- EVERYTHING WILL GO UP.

A TWO-MAN **BUCKET BRIGADE** OUGHT TO TURN THE TRUCK!

SHORTLY... WE HAVE OTHER WORK NOW! WE ARE GOING AFTER **BLACK ELK**!

INDIANS - YOU SAVED THE PAYROLL! THANKS!

AND AT THE RIVER, WHERE, AT FIRST, THE TRAIL SEEMS LOST FOREVER... SEE BELOW, ON THE RIVER'S BOTTOM? SMALL STONES AND PEBBLES HAVE BEEN OVERTURNED! THAT PATTERN CONTINUES SOUTHWARD!

THE STONES WERE DISTURBED BY HORSES' FEET! EVEN THOUGH THE ACTUAL TRACKS ARE WASHED AWAY-- WE NOW KNOW WHICH DIRECTION **BLACK ELK** TOOK!

LATER, AS THEY SCAN THE NEARBY TERRAIN... NO! WE'VE GOT TO COME ON! WE'LL GET THE **BATPLANE** AND FOLLOW THEM!

HANDLE THIS LIKE INDIANS--REMEMBER! HERE'S THEIR TRAIL-- HEADING SOUTH TOWARD THE RIVER!

THEY'LL HAVE TO LEAVE THE RIVER SOMETIME... AND WHEN THEY DO, WE'LL BE ABLE TO PICK UP THEIR TRAIL AGAIN!

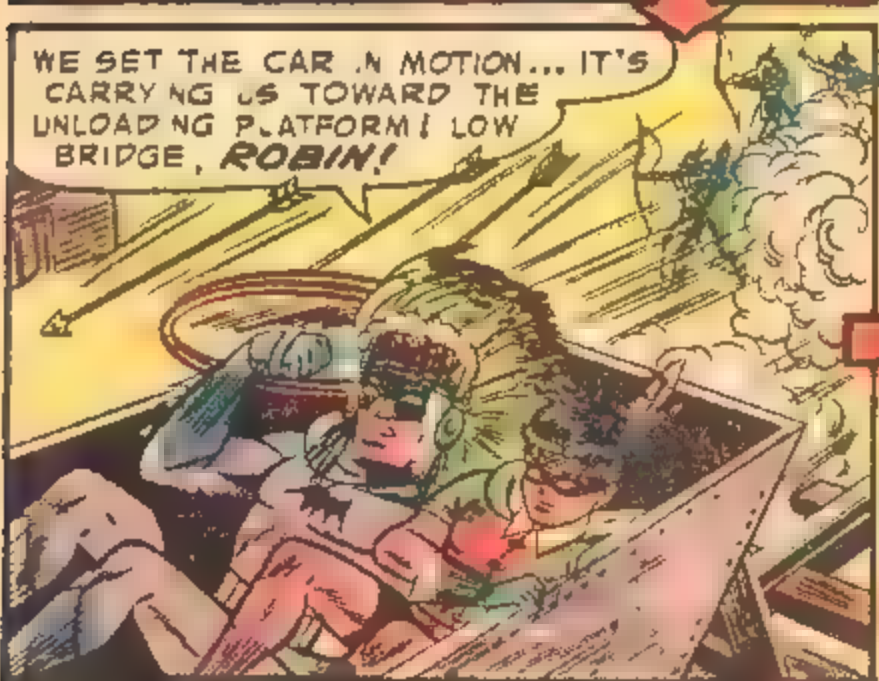
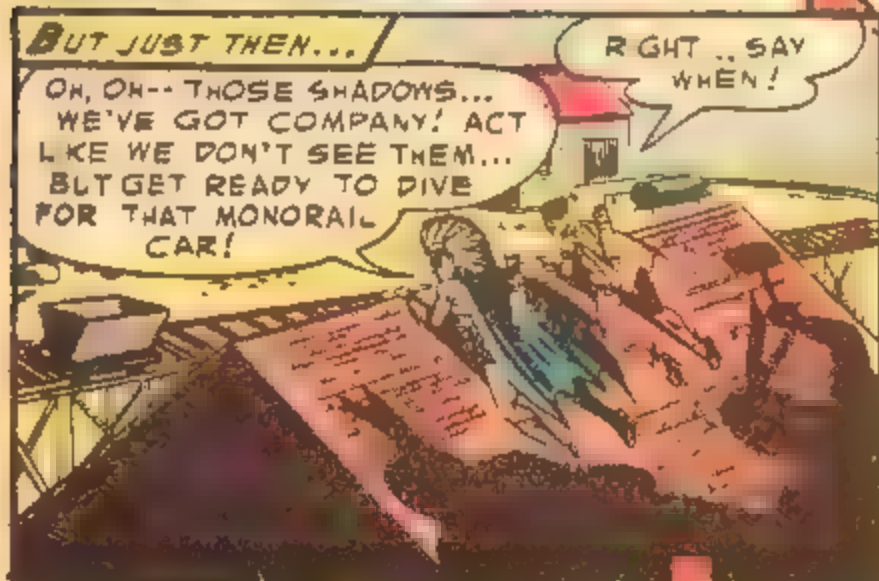
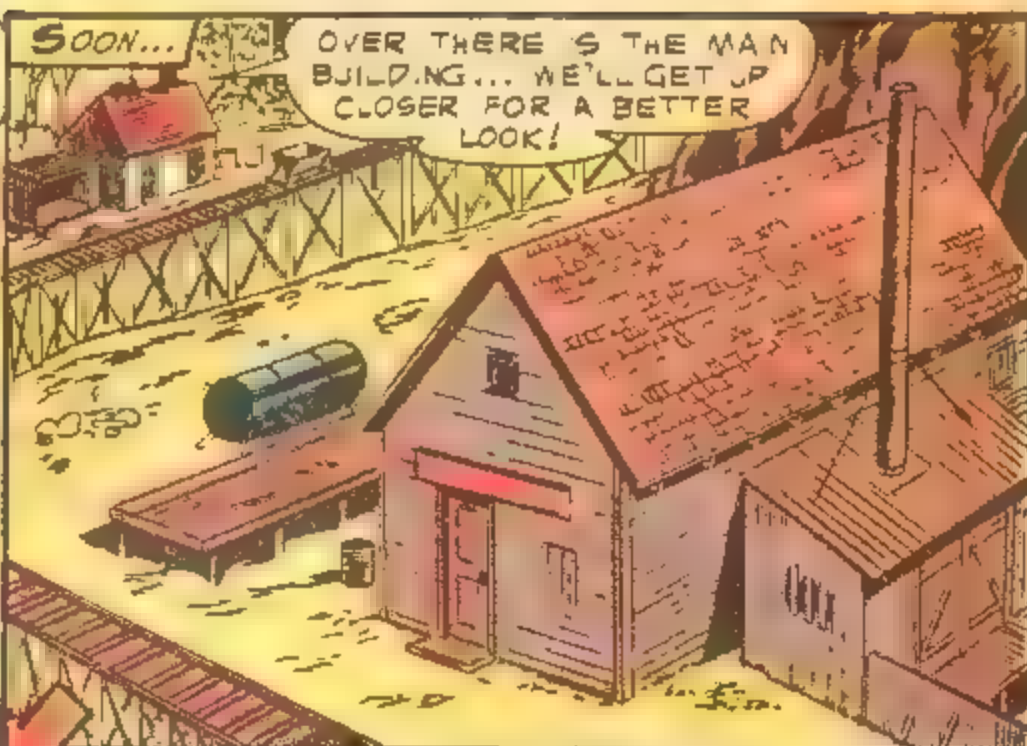
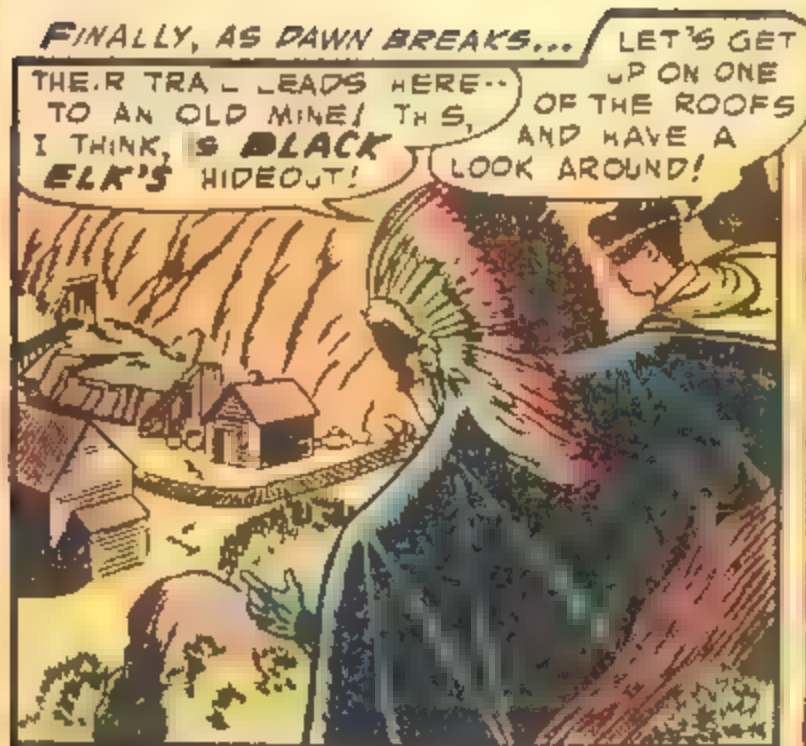
BUT SOME MILES FURTHER ON, THE TRACKS EMERGE FROM THE RIVER ONLY TO END ABRUPTLY, AT THE EDGE OF A VAST, STONY FLATNESS... THEY HEADED ACROSS THE LAVA FLATS! HORSES DON'T LEAVE PRINTS IN HARD STONE! WE'RE BEATEN!

NO! NOT YET! AGAIN WE'VE GOT TO PLAY INDIAN! **GREAT EAGLE** WOULD FIND THE TRAIL... SO WILL WE!

INDIAN PONES DON'T WEAR HORSESHOES. BUT SEE THESE SMALL SCRAPINGS OF BONY SUBSTANCE? THAT WAS LEFT BY THE FEET OF THEIR HORSES!

THEN WE CAN STILL FOLLOW THEM! **GREAT EAGLE** SHOULD BE PROUD OF US FOR FIGURING THIS ONE OUT!









ALL RIGHT--  
LET'S GO!



WE'RE SAFE FOR  
NOW--BUT THEY  
HAVE THE PLACE  
SURROUNDED!  
CAPTURE MEANS  
THE STRIPPING OFF  
OF OUR MASKS!

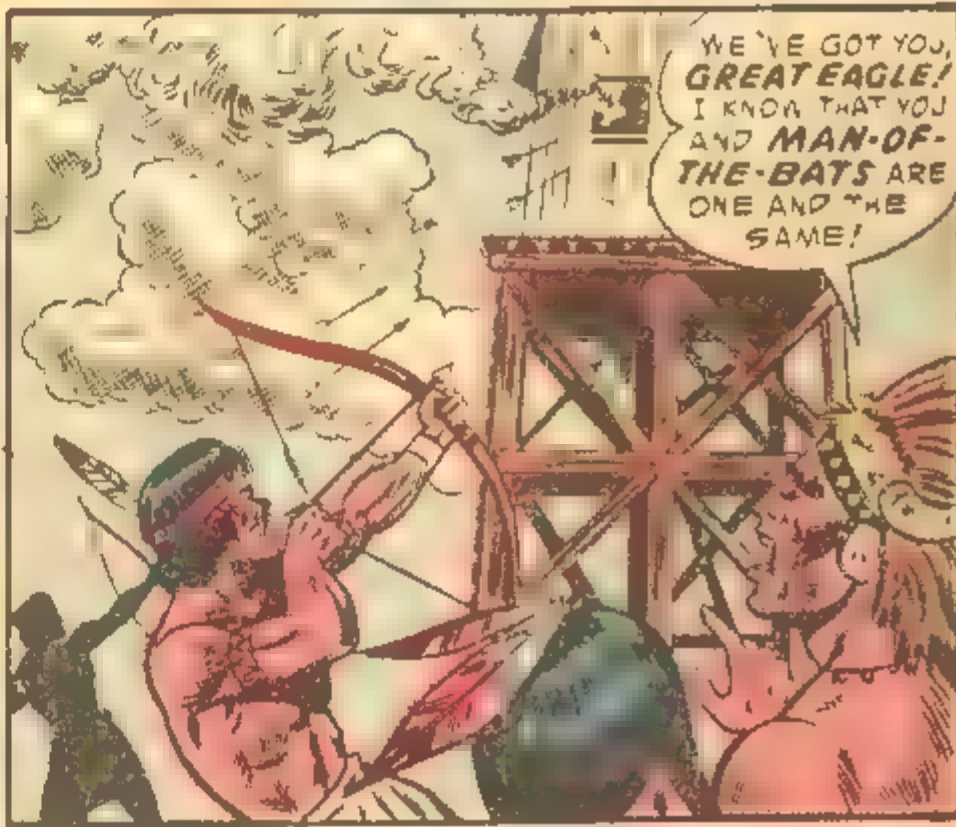
I KNOW! BUT  
THEY THINK  
WE'RE REALLY  
**GREAT EAGLE**  
AND **LITTLE**  
**RAVEN**...  
AND WE HAVE  
ONE TRICK LEFT!



SWIFTLY **BATMAN** REMOVES SOME  
TINY MISSILES FROM THE UTILITY  
BELT, AND... **SMOKE PELLETS!**  
THAT'S OUR OUT!

AS THE PELLETS STRIKE THE FLOOR AND BEST,  
THICK CLOUDS BLOW SKYWARD...

NOW, SOMEHOW, WE'VE GOT TO STALL  
THE RAIDERS! GET YOUR BOW  
AND ARROWS READY!



WE'VE GOT YOU,  
**GREAT EAGLE!**  
I KNOW THAT YOU  
AND **MAN-OF-**  
**THE-BATS** ARE  
ONE AND THE  
SAME!

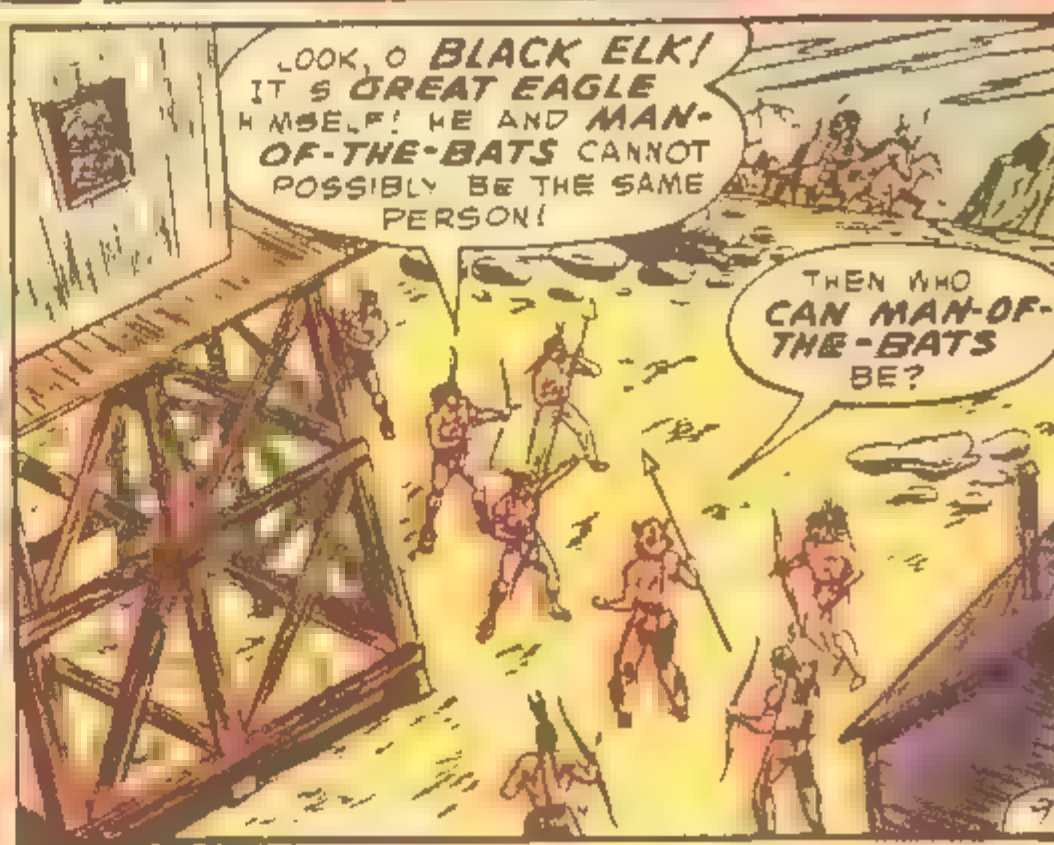
ONLY ONE ARROW LEFT! AFTER  
THAT, IT'S CURTAINS! WE'VE  
PROTECTED **GREAT EAGLE'S**  
IDENTITY--BUT NOW WE'RE  
IN DANGER OF REVEALING  
OUR OWN!

LISTEN!  
THEY'RE  
SHOUTING  
ABOUT  
SOME-  
THING!



LOOK, O **BLACK ELK!**  
IT'S **GREAT EAGLE**  
HIMSELF! HE AND **MAN-**  
**OF-THE-BATS** CANNOT  
POSSIBLY BE THE SAME  
PERSON!

THEN WHO  
**CAN MAN-OF-**  
**THE-BATS**  
BE?





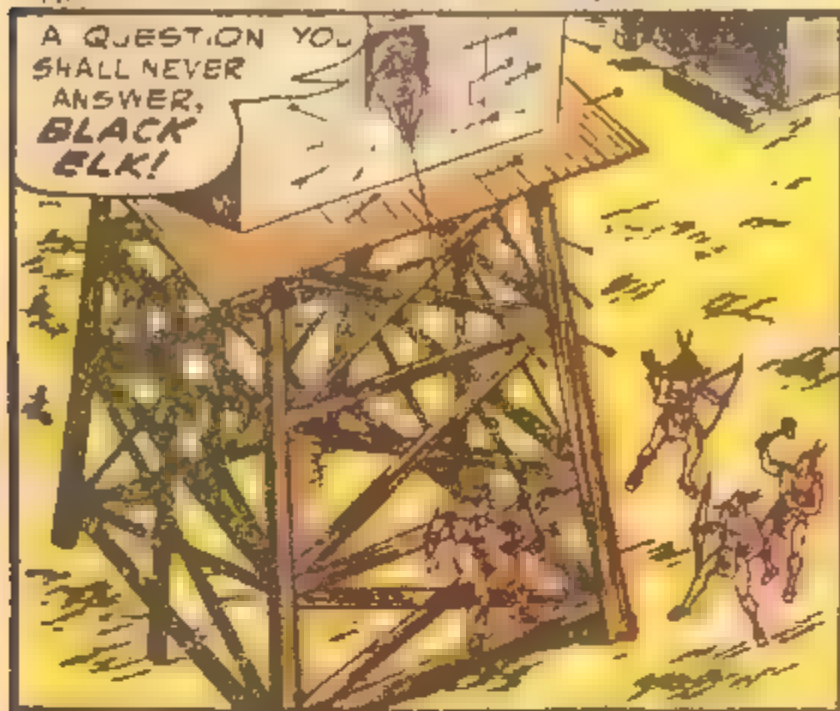


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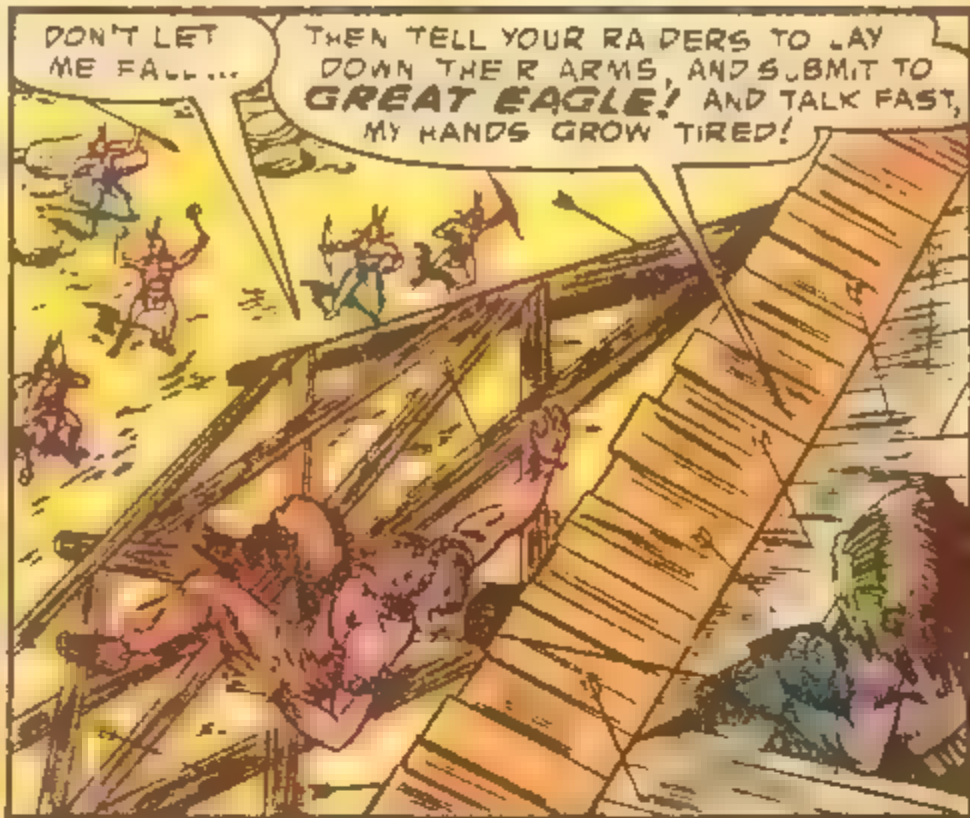
BUT BEFORE THE INDIAN OUTLAW CAN SAY MORE, A VINE ROPE SETTLES ABOUT HIM, AND LIFTS HIM FROM THE GROUND...

A QUESTION YOU SHALL NEVER ANSWER, **BLACK ELK!**



DON'T LET ME FALL...

THEN TELL YOUR RAIDERS TO LAY DOWN THEIR ARMS, AND SUBMIT TO **GREAT EAGLE!** AND TALK FAST, MY HANDS GROW TIRED!



AND SO, PRESENTLY...

MANY JAILS ARE ANXIOUS TO ACCOMMODATE **BLACK ELK!** THANKS TO YOU, **MAN-OF-THE-BATS!** HE AND HIS RAIDERS SOON WILL BE BEHIND BARS!

I WONDER WHO YOU ARE, **MAN-OF-THE-BATS!** SOME DAY, I SHALL FIND OUT!

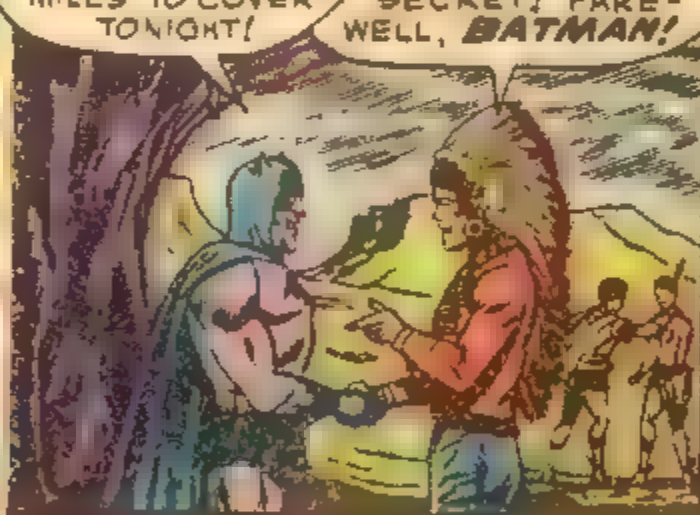
MUCH LATER, BACK AT **GREATEAGLE'S CAVE...**

YOUR REAL IDENTITY REMAINS A SECRET... BUT NOW WE MUST LEAVE! THE **BAT-PLANE** IS NEARBY, AND WE HAVE MANY MILES TO COVER TONIGHT!

HAD I NOT SEEN YOUR SMOKE SIGNALS, **BLACK ELK** MAY HAVE LEARNED OF YOUR IDENTITY! BUT THAT, TOO, REMAINS A SECRET! FAREWELL, **BATMAN!**

AND AS THE **BAT-PLANE** TAKES OFF FOR **GOTHAM CITY...**

WHO KNOW?... MAYBE ONE DAY, MY SON, WE CAN GO TO THE GREAT CITY AND DO THEM A FAVOR! WE SHALL SEE!



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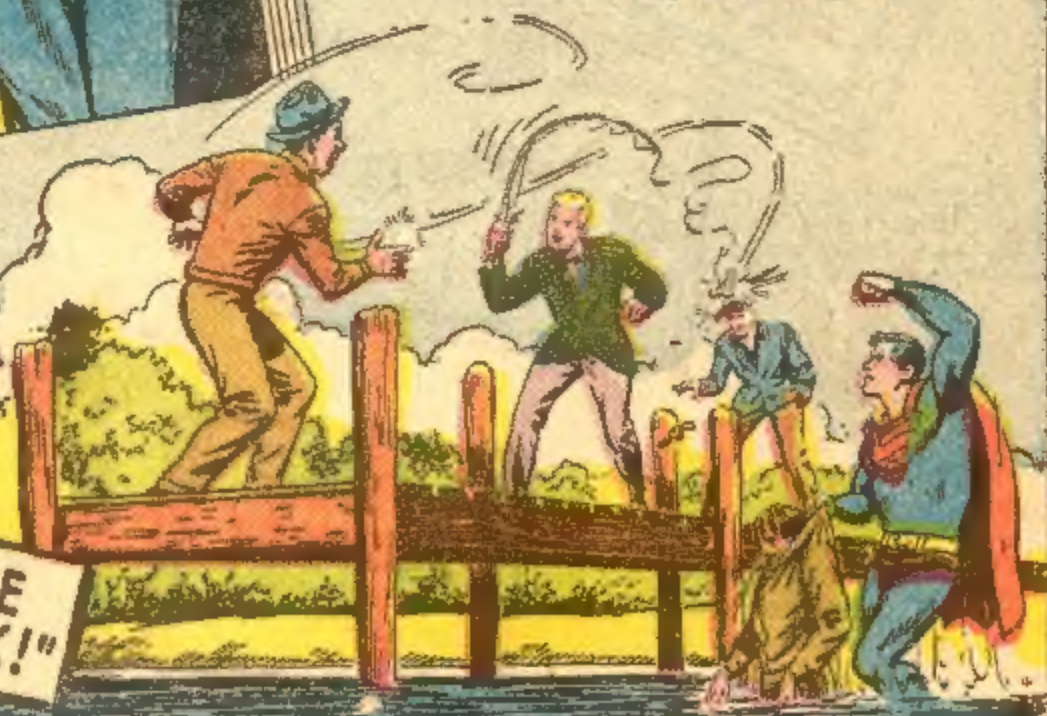
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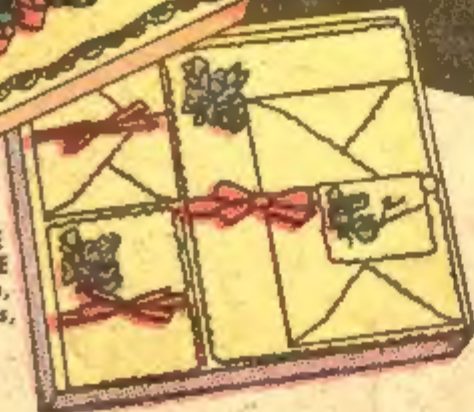
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Hi  
Pal!  
Win  
\$100

as I  
just  
did!

Come on, Buddy, Quit being A BAG-of-BONES Weakling like I was

IN 10 MINUTES OF FUN A DAY YOU Can do ALL I did!

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GET  
ALL 5  
FREE

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"I'm  
PROUD  
to be  
seen  
with  
Jim  
NOW!  
Every-  
body  
admires  
his build," says Nellie.  
"Jim can lift the front  
of a 2700 lb. car.  
He amazes his friends!"

You'll be  
A Real  
ATHLETE  
in ALL  
SPORTS  
Soon  
after  
YOU  
mail  
Coupon.

Jim is a WINNER  
in ALL SPORTS NOW.  
YOU will be, too, soon.

2

COME ON, PAL, NOW YOU give me  
**10** PLEASANT MINUTES A DAY  
IN YOUR OWN HOME like Jim did  
and I'll give YOU A NEW HE-MAN BODY  
for your OLD SKELETON FRAME

NO! I don't care how skinny or flabby  
you are I'll make you OVER by the  
SAME method I turned myself from a  
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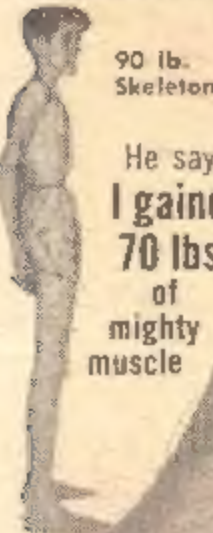


JIM NORMAN  
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He Mailed Coupon  
Below is Cleveland

**BEFORE**

He Mailed Coupon

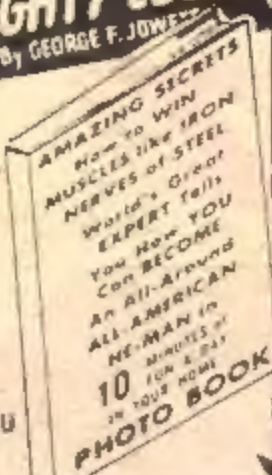


90 lb.  
Skeleton

He says,  
I gained  
70 lbs.  
of  
mighty  
muscle

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get this  
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PREMIERE  
GENE TROY  
IN PERSON

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HE'S EVEN MORE HANDSOME THAN HIS PICTURES!

BOY!  
GENE TROY HERE IN PERSON! WHAT I WOULDN'T GIVE JUST TO MEET HIM!

DOGGONE, NEW PEN AND IT WON'T WORK!

HERE, MR. TROY, TRY MINE!

HOURS LATER  
NICE PEN, PARDNER. SURE WRITES SMOOTH. WOULDN'T MIND HAVIN' ONE! EXPENSIVE?

IT'S A FINELINE PEN! ONLY COST ME \$2<sup>25</sup>!

HMMM, THIS YOUNG FELLOW IS JUST THE ONE FOR OUR NEW PICTURE. HMMM!

6 WEEKS LATER

GEE, WHO EVER THOUGHT I'D BE IN A REAL MOVIE WITH GENE TROY!

THANK FINELINE FOR THAT, CHUCK - I FOUND THE PEN I'VE ALWAYS WANTED... AND THE STUDIO FOUND YOU.

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